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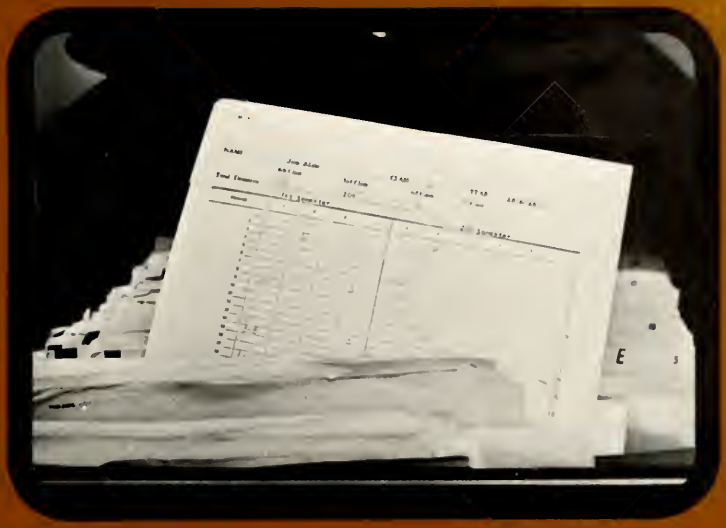
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When things go wrong, as they sometimes will,

When the road you're trudging





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087011	F	COPENHAVER V K	80/LA	3.0	
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316240	C	MINEY B J	80/LA	3.0	
322468	~~—~~	~~MORGAN J J~~	80/LA	3.0	
356364	D	PFEFFERKORN E W	80/BI	3.0	
369920	F	RAMER G A JR	80/LA	3.0	
415385	~~—~~	~~SHEAHAN D J~~	80/LA	3.0	
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seems all uphill,



When the funds are low . . .

And the debts are high,



And you want to smile,



HEADQUARTERS
VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE
Lexington, Virginia

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 12)

16 September 1976

1. Cadet FLOYD, M.D., First Class, Electrical Engineering, for violation of VMI Regulations, Paragraph 152.04, gross neglect of duty, direct, intentional disobedience of a lawful order, and violation of Memorandum of Agreement between the Commandant and the Class of 1977, dated 23 August, 7 September 1976, is suspended for the remainder of the academic year, effective 16 September 1976. Cadet FLOYD will be permitted to apply for readmission to the second semester of this session.

HEADQUARTERS
VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE
Lexington, Virginia

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 11)

14 September 1976

1. Fol cadets, for violation of VMI Regulations, Paragraph 152.04, gross neglect of duty, and violation of Memorandum of Agreement between the Commandant and the Class of 1977 dated 23 August 1976, 7 September, are suspended effective on dates shown. Suspensions are held in abeyance while a penalty of 1S dem, 4 months' bks conf, and 60 pen tours each is served. Each cadet is placed on special conduct probation. Effective at the beginning of the second demerit period, if any of the following cadets is excess in demerits for any period or if an offense is commited for which the penalty is suspension or dismissal, that cadet will be suspended or dismissed at the Superintendent's discretion:

ABERNATHY, R.N., First Class, English, 13 September 1976
CARR, D.A., First Class, Civil Engineering, 13 September 1976
HOLZGREFE, W.F., First Class, Electrical Engineering, 10 September 1976
KELLY, D.G., First Class, Electrical Engineering, 10 September 1976
SAUGTINETTE, W.P., First Class, Electrical Engineering, 10 September 1976

2. Cadet BOOKER, T.N., Second Class, Economics, for continued gross neglect of duty by violation of VMI Regulations, Paragraph 152.04, and attempting to evade the OC in the performance of his duty, after Taps, 7 September, is suspended effective 13 September 1976. Suspension is held in abeyance while a penalty of 1S dem, 4 months' bks conf, and 60 pen tours is served. Cadet BOOKER is placed on special conduct probation for the remainder of the 1976-77 session. Effective at the beginning of the second demerit period if Cadet BOOKER is excess in demerits for any period of if he commits an offense for which the penalty is suspension or dismissal, he will be suspended or dismissed at the discretion of the Superintendent. His record will be reviewed by the Superintendent at the end of the first semester.

3. Cadet DAVIS, M.W., First Class, Civil Engineering, for violation of VMI Regulations, Paragraph 152.04, gross neglect of duty, and violation of Memorandum of Agreement between the Commandant and the Class of 1977, dated 23 August 1976, 7 September, is suspended effective 10 September 1976. Suspension is held in abeyance while a penalty of 1S dem, 4 months' bks conf, and 60 pen tours is served. If Cadet DAVIS should commit an offense during the first semester which carries a penalty of suspension or dismissal, he will be suspended or dismissed at the Superintendent's discretion.

4. Cadet EAGLE, R.S., Second Class, Civil Engineering, for violation of VMI Regulations, Paragraph 152.04, 7 September, is suspended effective 10 September 1976. Suspension is held in abeyance while a penalty of 1S dem, 4 months' bks conf, and 60 pen tours is served.

5. Fol cadets, for visiting outside Lexington, OCMNI, 4 September, each will receive 10 dem, 3 months' bks conf, and 45 pen tours:

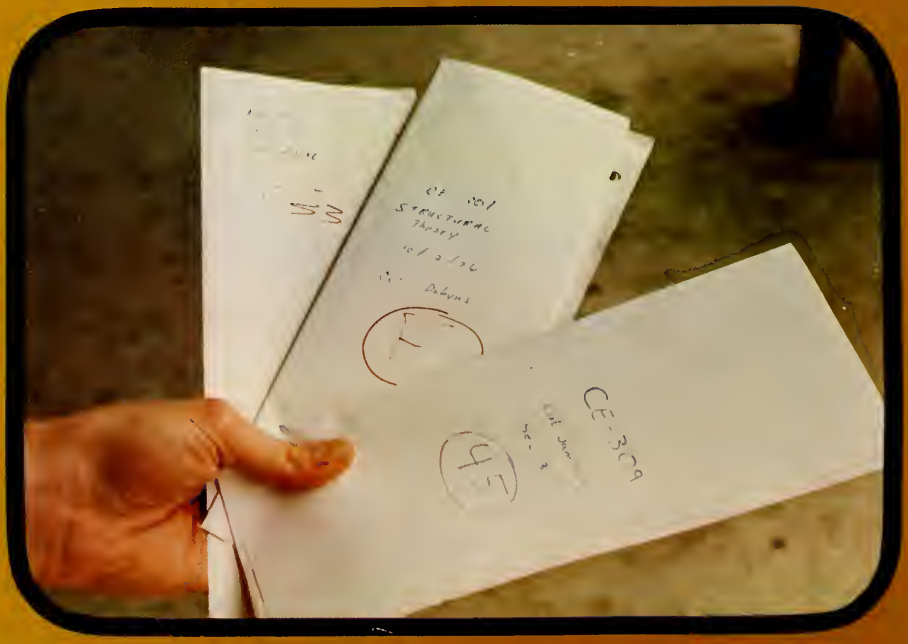
HALL, R.F. LUMPKIN, F.F. McKENNA, S.

6. Announcement is made of the promotion in the Corps of Cadets of Cadet MURPHY, S.G. to Corporal, Company E.

(over)

but you have to sigh,

When care is pressing you down a bit-





Rest if you must, but don't you quit.

Life is queer with its twists and turns,



As every one of us sometimes learns,

And many a fellow turns about



When he might have won
had he stuck out it.

Don't give up though the pace seems slow-





You may succeed with another blow.

Often the goal is nearer than
It seems to a faint and faltering
man;





Virginia Military Institute
THE HONOR SYSTEM
The VMI Honor Code
It is therefore, far more than just a set of principles for four years in the life of a cadet. It is a Code which must be strictly followed by a cadet, no matter where he may be, if he wishes to preserve the most priceless thing he has in his life—HIS HONOR.
The Honor Court
Reporting Breaches of the Code
"All Right" Status
Roll Calls
1. Official Records—Stealing, destroying or changing in any manner any official record with intent to deceive is a violation of the Honor Code.
2. Academic Work—All assigned academic work is certified as the cadet's own EVEN THOUGH THE WORD "CERTIFIED" IS NOT WRITTEN ON THE WORK ITSELF, except as otherwise allowed by the policy of the individual instructor. Each cadet is responsible for understanding the policies of his instructors in matters concerning academic work. Violation of the Institute Regulations concerning work for grade is a violation of the Honor Code.
3. Stealing—Stealing is taking any property from its true owner with the intent of depriving him of ownership, use or benefit of said property, or of appropriating it to the use of someone other than the true owner.
4. Instigation—It is a violation of the Honor Code for a cadet to attempt to influence another cadet to violate his honor.
5. Investigation—A cadet involved in any manner in an Honor Court investigation is certified to keep all information concerning this investigation completely secret. A BREACH OF THIS SECRECY IS AN HONOR VIOLATION.
Court Procedure
Honor Court Members 1976-77

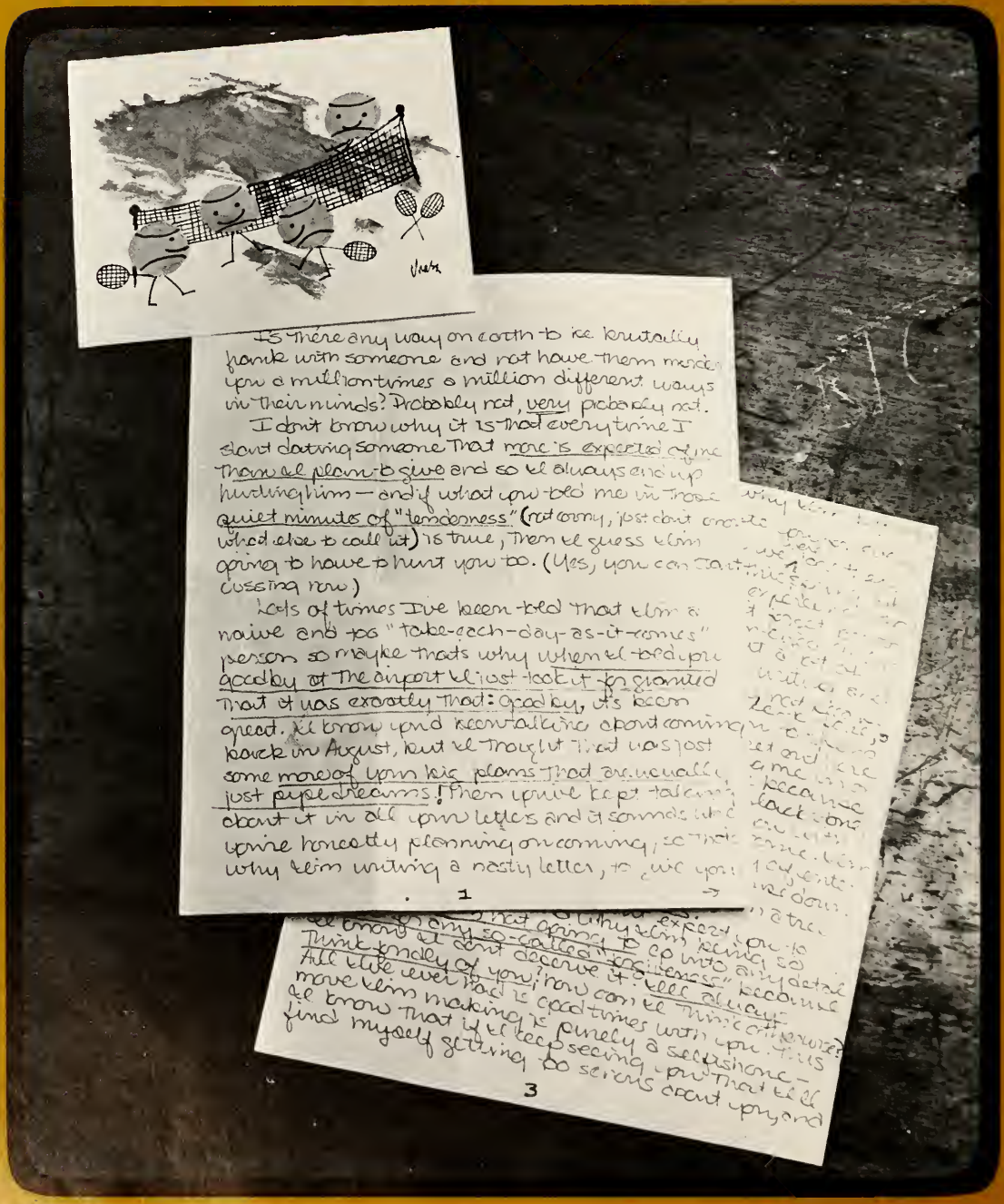


Often the struggler has given up



When he might have captured the victor's cup;

And he learned too late when the night came down,





How close he was to the golden crown.





Success is failure turned inside out-



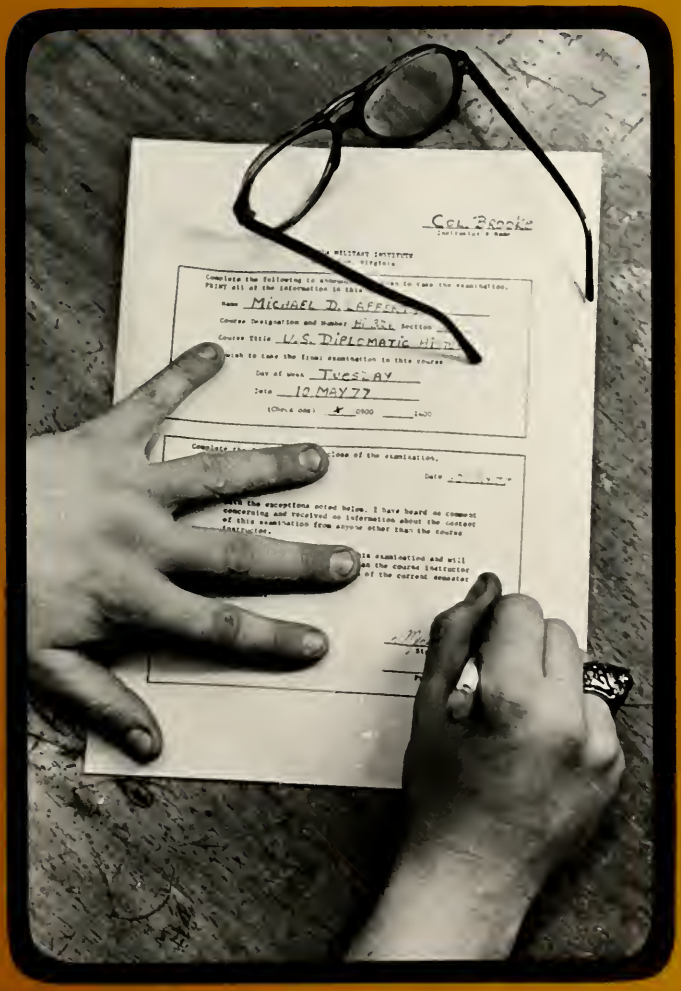
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt,





And you never can tell how close you are,

It may be near when it seems afar;



So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit,—





It's when things seem worst that you mustn't quit.





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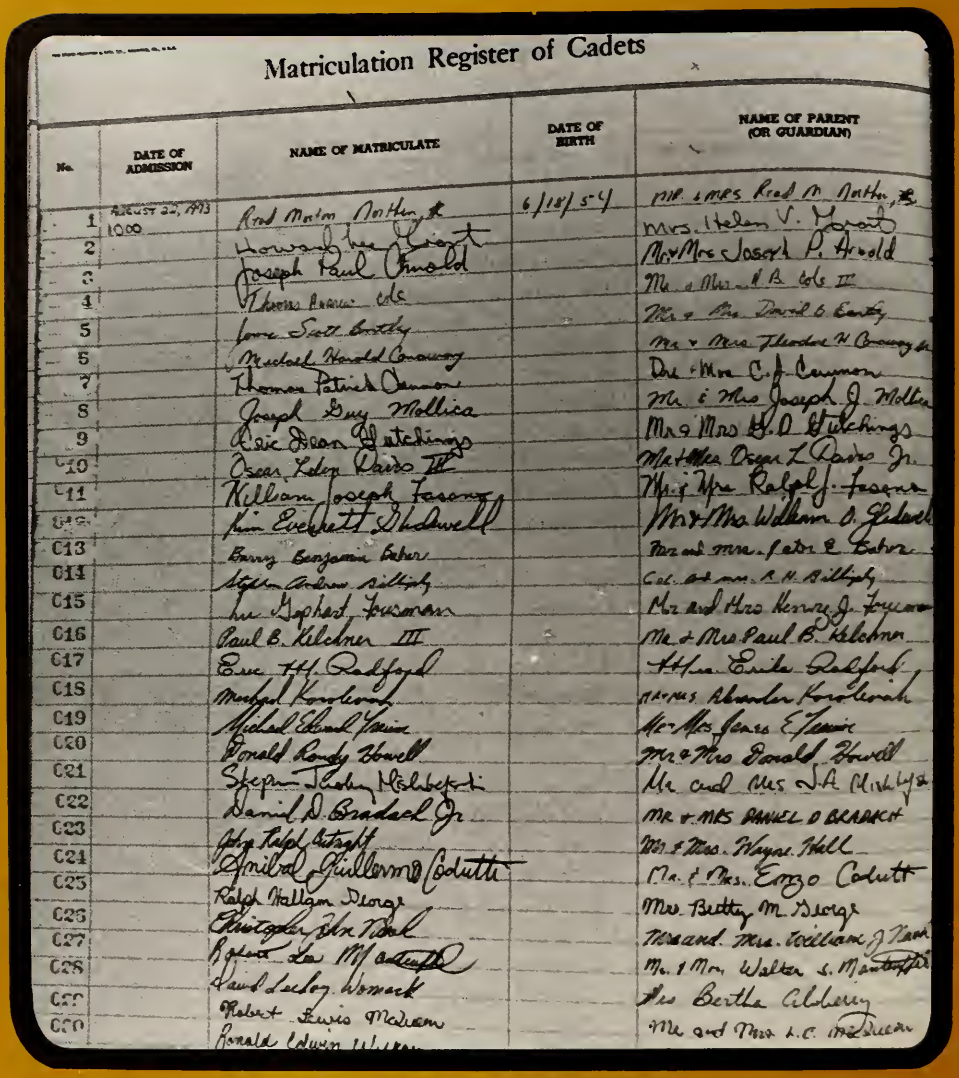
No cadet, past or present, has enjoyed the thought of his trips to the Commandant's office to answer a special report, hear a non-inspirational chewing-out, or walk through a permit. For the past six years, and in particular the last four of them, there has been a special lady seated outside the office of the Commandant who has made the chore of "seeing the man" all the more transitional.

Mrs. Pat Henson is the one who has told us so often: "He's not in a good mood-come back tomorrow". Oftentimes, with an imminent 10-6-30 pending, it's been Pat who always tries to cheer you up before the great letdown. She always makes time to talk with cadets enroute to the Commandant, and she always greets those who enter that forboding realm with a smile on her face.

Pat, a resident of Buena Vista, is a devoted wife and the proud mother of three beautiful kids, Dana, Gina, and Heather. She relaxes at home when not typing up special reports at her favorite hobby, sewing, and attends the First Brethen Chruch.

The 1977 BOMB is hereby dedicated to you, Pat Henson, for you have proven yourself to be a friend of the Class of 1977 and to the Corps. May God Bless a fine lady!

THE CLASS OF 1977



Matriculation Register of Cadets

No.	DATE OF ADMISSION	NAME OF MATRICULATE	DATE OF BIRTH	NAME OF PARENT (OR GUARDIAN)
1	August 22, 1973 1000	Rod Malm Nathe Jr	6/18/55	Mr. & Mrs. Rod M. Nathe, Jr.
2		Howard Lee Wright		Mrs. Helen V. Wright
3		Joseph Paul Arnold		Mr. & Mrs. Joseph P. Arnold
4		Thomas Andrew Cole		Mr. & Mrs. A. B. Cole III
5		Lowe Scott Bartley		Mr. & Mrs. David O. Bartley
6		Michael Harold Causey		Mr. & Mrs. Theodore N. Causey Jr.
7		Thomas Patrick Cannon		Dr. & Mrs. C. J. Cannon
8		Joseph Guy Mollica		Mr. & Mrs. Joseph J. Mollica
9		Eric Dean Hutchings		Mr. & Mrs. W. D. Hutchings
10		Oscar Foley Davis III		Mr. & Mrs. Oscar F. Davis Jr.
11		William Joseph Fasano		Mr. & Mrs. Ralph J. Fasano
12		Jim Everhett Caldwell		Mr. & Mrs. William O. Caldwell
C13		Barry Benjamin Baker		Mr. and Mrs. Peter L. Baker
C14		Stephen Andrew Billisly		Col. and Mrs. R. H. Billisly
C15		Lee Raphael Fourman		Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Fourman
C16		Paul B. Kelchner III		Mr. & Mrs. Paul B. Kelchner
C17		Eric H. Radford		Mr. & Mrs. Emile Radford
C18		Michael Kornberg		Mr. & Mrs. Abraham Kornberg
C19		Michael Edward Jarvis		Mr. & Mrs. James E. Jarvis
C20		Donald Randy Howell		Mr. & Mrs. Donald Howell
C21		Stephen Hadley Halbert		Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Halbert Jr.
C22		Daniel D. Bradach Jr.		Mr. & Mrs. Daniel D. Bradach
C23		Ralph Straight		Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Hall
C24		Anibal Guillermo Colutta		Mr. & Mrs. Enzo Colutta
C25		Ralph William Deorge		Mrs. Betty M. Deorge
C26		Christopher John Neal		Mr. and Mrs. William J. Neal
C27		Robert Lee Mantooth		Mr. & Mrs. Walter S. Mantooth
C28		Paul Lesley Womack		Mrs. Bertha Alderey
C29		Robert Lewis McKeon		Mr. and Mrs. L. C. McKeon
C30		Ronald Edwin Wilson		



We entered the V.M.I. on August, 1973, anxious for ''College Life''. We did not understand the life style within the Institute, but we were beginning to learn. No one can describe this way of life; it must be experienced. It was not always enjoyable. Throughout this four year process of growth, we came to know each other quite well. Strong bonds of friendship were developed through mutual suffering mixed with many good times. Like all classes, we had visions of changing various aspects of VMI life. Through hard work and determination some changes were made-many were not. For the past four years, and throughout our lifetimes, we will always wonder whether or not our time at VMI was worthwhile. The system is just. It teaches a man many things that can not be learned in other educational institutions. It teaches a man many things about himself. It molds self-discipline into a man. The system pushes each man to his limits. It does this in many ways, not only through academics, athletics, and the military. This is why VMI men do not bend under immense pressures of life after VMI. Graduation was our goal when we entered now as we leave it is only the begining. From here on, the Institute will remember us only as the class of 77. The names and faces have changed, but the VMI will never die.

J.C.





Robert Mark Abernathy



Laurence John Adams Jr.



Frederick Abels Allner III



John Sidney Alvis



George Edgar Anderson Jr.



James Thomas Anderson



William Howard Anderson



Stephan Forrest Andrews

Robert Mark Abernathy
"Space Cowboy, Maypo, Padre, Snut, Cles, Capt. Nasty"
Woodstock, Virginia
English - Armor
Football 4; Wrestling 4,3; Theater 3; Young Republicans 4,3,2,1; English Society 3,2,1; Hop & Floor 4,3,2,1; Firefighter 4,3,2; Boxing & Wrestling Instructor; Cheerleader 2,1; Rugby 1; Sec. RDC; 103 Club; Ranger Plt. 2; Number 1 Club; Hoakie Clothing Committee; NEB 11.
Fear of the Institute couldn't stop Mark and I from starting off our cadetship on the right foot; guzzling brew in the bushes of NEB. Hundreds more nights were spent in like fashion, waiting for the nightly, 'The time is now', or tap the door, to run out and relieve frustrations. Running the block became as common for Mark as 'left, right, left'. Many times however, that pace was hastend to outrace the villain hot on his heels with a clipboard. A warm heart and the power to raise the spirits when dim are but 2 of Maypo's qualities which will always make him a valuable friend and warm father. Mark taught a course in wine, women, and song his first 2 years; but the tune 'Sweet Melissa' will remain his most cherished for many happy years to come.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Leon Bryant Abernathy
Class of 1980 - William H. Davis

Laurence John Adams Jr.
"Jack"
Lancaster, Pennsylvania
Chemistry - Air Force
Academically Distinguished 1; Dean's List 2,1; American Chemical Society 3,2,1; Cadet Staff 2,1; Civil War Roundtable 3; Private 4,3,2,1.
He started out in old barracks, he ended up in new. He started out with a Bolivian, he ended up with a Thai. He started out an English major, he ended up in Chemistry. Alot of water has gone under the bridge. Four years have worked alot of change. Only the name has remained the same.
DYKES Class of 1974 - J. W. Simms
Class of 1980 - Ken Slade & Terdtoon Tapjan

Frederick Abels Allner III
"Freddie"
Bethesda, Maryland
History - Infantry
Varsity Soccer Team 4,3,2,1; Co-Capt., All Southern Conference; Virginia All-Star Team; All-Virginia State; Varsity Tennis Team 2,1; OGA VP 1; International Students Society, VP 2,1; Representative to the Corps Council 3; International Relations Club 4,3,2,1; Monogram Club 4,3,2,1; Military Society 4,3; Hop and Floor Comm. 4,3,2,1; College Republicans Club 4,3,2,1; Room 115 Hay Down Club.
How Freddie picked VMI we'll never know. Freddie has got to be the first cadet to graduate from VMI who went out with a different girl everynight and never had to run the block (except once). Freddie also participated in many other activities though and will always be remembered for his favorite sport, Soccer. In all seriousness, Freddie was the type of guy who got along with everyone. We know Freddie will be very successful in whatever his future endeavors may be. His personality is his greatest asset and he will always be accepted in life; there could be no other way. He's one Hell of a guy and tipifies the Brother Rat Spirit.
DYKES Class of 1974 - Jim Garten
Class of 1980 - Turner, J. R.

John Sidney Alvis
"Mo, Sid"
Hampton, Virginia
Electrical Engineer - Air Force
Arnold Air Society 4,3,2,1; RDC VP 1; Firefighters 3,2,1, (1st St., CIC); IEEE, Vice-Commandant's Award-AFFT; Project Paul Bunyon; Operation Facelift; 1st Cpl., 1st Sgt., 1st Class Pvt.
What do you mean I have to carry all of this junk to the 4th stoop in one trip. I had to bring Ace Moving to get it here! My Sgt.? Mr. Bohon. I thought he was my Brother Rat but he politely screamed that I was slightly mistaken. Mr. Lineback volunteered me for the All Star Guard Team. I loved the ratline like I loved the Bubonic Plague, but I survived. Spring of '74 was particularly rough for many reasons.
Upperclass living was aided with the help and support of my BR's who have been with me from Day One. Unfortunately my love for the military stifled my academics and I'll enjoy the hill for an extra year. Perhaps it can all be summed up in a few words:
Little Sid Muffet
Sat on his tuffet
copying his circuits down
a long came a spider
and sat down beside him
and said 'Eets Zo Eessee'
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Allyn Aksonitas
Class of 1980 - Scott Hodge

George Edgar Anderson
"ED, Edgar, No Head ED"
Arcadia, California
Biology-Air Force
Pvt., Cpl., Sgt., 2nd Lt., AST. Club, Pres., Soaring/Pres. Scuba Club, Ski Club, Sport Parachute Club, Student Grotto, Bomb Photographer, Lib. Asst., Daughters of AM. Patroits and Founders Award, Dean's List, Band Co. Transfer Club, Airborne Wings
ED sacrificed the life of a Northern Calif. Ski-bum to obtain the education of a lifetime-and he's already contemplating its termination. VMI has molded him from a raw, recruit to a weary grad. Given no time to adapt to the 'I', Ed, 'Volunteered' for the infamous Reg. Band-1 point VMI. In retaliation, "Edger" transfers out - 1 point VMI (Buck hits him with 10-2-40). He serves off his PT's in one week-) 1 point VMI (Who knew the Gov. would grant amnesty a week after Ed started his punishment). ED has tried to give VMI a taste of it's own, but at the last tally, he was doing no better-how can you win when you use the Commandant's parking spot? In spite of it all, VMI has been a good 4 years-You won't get a job any easier, but its alot better than Humbolt State! Thanks MCM
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Thomas Anderson
Class of 1980 - Jim Diesel

James Thomas Anderson
"Jim, Larry Level, P.W.K., Red, Andy"
Franconia, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Air Force
T.C.F.C. 3,2; No. 1 Club 2; ASCE 4,3,2,1.
Jim managed to maintain a low profile Rat year. But come third class hell broke loose! Paul froze him blue, Bill blasted his eardrums, Harts got him drunk and Shorty fried his brain with intellect. But old 'Andy' gained his nicknames 'Larry Level' by maintaining a level head through it all and 'PWK' by his addiction to a foxy lady back home. Resisting his roommates and Uncle Joe Shlitz, Andy avoided various #2's and 3's, but one gulp earned him his place on the #1 Club. But Jim will go far because of his many facets. He is straight forward (Jim), affable (Andy), sensitive (PWK) and has that rare quality of common sense (Larry Level). Good luck in all you do Jim. Life is a bowl of cherries meant to be broken.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Mike Hogan
Class of 1980 - Mike Donnan

William Howard Anderson
"Bill, Phantom, Little, Clint"
Arlington, Virginia
History - Armor
Pvt. 4,3,2,1, Bravo CO. Guidon 2,1, Bravo Co. Rep. to RDC 1; Rat Battalion staff 1; Firefighters 2,1, AUSA 1; Summer school club 4,3,2,1, I Came Back Club; The Dean's list; High Rent district.
Following in his brother's footsteps the phantom entered VMI on that hot summer day. He spent his rat year dodging report cards and blending in with the crowd. Little Clint was so small nobody could see him anyway. He spent his third-class year, after being persuaded by the dean, at another college trying to raise his grades. Billy boy came back to the "Big I" only to find that the academics weren't any easier so he resided himself to a little studying. Bill spent this year trying to get off the ever present academic probation. The phantom likes this place so much he will be back next year to represent the class. All he can say is "fido" . .
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Andy Eason
Class of 1980 - Charle Alvarez, Paul Klutz

Stephan Forrest Andrews
"Hobie, Hobo by Name"
St. Joseph, Michigan
Civil Engineering - Air Force
Private 4,3,2,1; Varsity Swimming 4,3,2,1; Co-Captain 1; Monogram Club 4,3,2,1; ASCE 2,1; ASTM Award Winner 2; Soaring Club 4; "Cadet Staff 2,1; Number One Club.
We are having a difficult time believing that this is your last year at VMI. It seems just yesterday that we were wondering how our 'rat' was doing and praying you would get through the first year. Well, we are proud of you, Steve, and no one knows better than I what an accomplishment it is to just 'become' a first classman; and I do take my hat off to you for that, believe me! Do the best you can, work hard, and before you know it, May will be here and then you will join me in those rather-illustrious ranks of the VMI graduates who yearn for the good old days of the 'Old Corps' when things were really tough. Seriously, Son, God Bless you and remember that I am proud of you and you are ever in my prayers.
Love, Dad
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Grahm Undercoffer
Class of 1980 - Mike Lunning, Bob Evens





Charles William Angemeer Jr.



Joseph Paul Arnold Jr.



Evan Hamilton Ashby III



Robert Keith Atkinson



John William Barr



Richard Alex Benavides



James Scott Bentley



William Charles Berry

Charles William Angemerr Jr.
"Ancient Mariner"
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
English - Artillery
Rugby 3,2; Badgett Consortium 2,1; Editor-Sounding Brass; Columnist-VMI CADET; English Society; College Democrat; Albatross Marksman; 400 Club; St. Valentine's Day '74; Pvt. 4.3.2.1; Sport Parachute Club; Room 154.
'This is the motley minded gentleman I have so often met in the forest.' Act V, *As You Like It*
Rugby meat squad, prophet of doom, lonely intellectual, gutter crawling night rider; all fair metaphors for Charley Angemeer. He is the Shenandoah's version of Joe Magaric, hurling himself into the molten steel to serve as a warning for others. At VMI Angemeer fought everything, lost many times, but came away unbowed.
A Sunday at Wake Forest University, during the 2nd Class year, typified the Angemeer experience. A 150 lb. fullback, trying to stop some 220 beef trains; collision. Destruction for Angemeer, teeth, grass, shoelaces, dirt, rugby. There are those who would no see the signifigance of the outmanned taking on the overpowering. There are others who would see Ken Kesey's Mc Murphy storming back at the aslyum's inmates: 'Damnit, at least tried!' And that's what counts with Charley Angemeer.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Dan Barr
Class of 1980 - 'Happy Greg Kwiatkowski &
'Gentleman' John Casamassa

Joseph Paul Arnold, Jr.
"Big Joe"
Lebanon, Pennsylvania
English - Army
Football 4.3.2.1, Monogram Club 4.3.2.1, Cadet 2.1, Track 4 Pervert Court #.2.1, President Pvt $.#.@.!, Big Dip Club 1.
Now I'm nearing the end of this "Bizarre Marathon." I can't say that it's been all good or bad; but then again I've met a select and special "few" that have made this place bearable. However, only these "few" understand me. You know who you are. I have nothing profound to offer in this history; but I do have a question. Why does a person come to VMI with such an enthusiastic idealism which later becomes perverted and ends in dis illusionment.??
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Mike Morrissett
Class of 1980 - Bob Osler

Evan Hamilton Ashby III
"Skeet, Pie"
Remington, Virginia
Chemistry - Air Force
Pvt. 4.2.1, Cpl. 3; Bomb 4.3.2.1; Photo Editor 1; American Chemical Society 2.1; Firefighters 4.3.2.
Aw, come-on Ashbotton, put the hay up . . . PLEASE/!!! It's been 527 1/2 days since I've seen the floor beneath it!, the least you can do is get out of bed. I mean it is only 77 seconds until second CP. OK, I'll turn on the goofy light switch so you an see.
-- Click --Capt. Joyner! What are you . . .? Boned for Goofy light switch??? But . . . But . . .But Sir, Where's Skeet? At Tech?? With 4 women??? What a way to go! The Air Force has to make him a navigator with that move! That's bound to make the front page of the Remington News, or maybe even both pages.
Good luck, Skeet!
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Pete Shelly
Class of 1980 - Rick 'Phantom' Tabb

Robert Keith Atkinson
"Bob, Stud, THE ASSHOLE"
Roanoke, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Corps of Engineers
Cpl. 3, Master Sargent 2, 1Lt. ; Track 4; Society of American Military Engineers; American Society of Civil Engineers; Hop and Floor Committee; English Society 4; Airborne School; DMS
I could hardly wait to get to VMI and now I am in no real hurry to leave. Time has gone quickly since "one sir", "two sir" and that Rat year with Stanley, Steve, and "The Kid". My third class year was the first year with Chuck. He caught the Mad Bomber. Now he eats frogs and flies alive. The "Chrome Dome" is amazed also. Somehow we stayed together "ALL THE WAY" and some of us refused to compromise our ideals. Gone are L.S. and B.S. and gone with them is integrity, sincerity, and consistency. The Colonel talks a good line though. Bitterness, disenchantment. Can't forget Steve, Chuck, Quack, Terry, and Tim. No Quack, you can't have Susan. Chuck, sorry I pulled the tail off your lizzard. We couldn't have made it without the Conner's Thursday Bag. Many thanks. Thanks also to Mother and Dad whose sacrifices, love, and devotion made VMI possible for me.
Brother Rats, good luck in all that you do. My door is always open. (No hamsters please)
DYKES: Class of 1974 - John V. Cooper
Class of 1980 - H. Matthew Wright III

John William Barr
Front Royal,Virginia
Civil Engineering - Air Force
Pvt. 4, Cpl. 3, Sgt. 2, Pvt. 1, Baseball Manager 2, ASCE
'All this happened, more or less.'
'So it goes'
DYKES: Class of 1974 - John Davis
Class of 1980 - Kevin Cordray

Richard Alex Benavides
"Spic, Rich"
San Antonio, Texas
Chemistry - Artillery
American Chemical Society 4.3.2.1, -Vice President 2, President 1; Militaria Society 4.3; Armed Forces Club 4; DMS 1; Zoo Crew 1; Handball Intramurals 3.2.1; Deans List 3.2.1; Pervert Corner 3.2; Academically Distinguished 3.1; Cpl. 3, Pvt. 4.2.1; Myrtle Beach Bums; Charter Member Paramount; Who's Who In American Racks; Mud Sloshers Anonymous; Who's Who Among Students in American Univ & Colleges.
For a year and a half, Rich was the model cadet, polished shoes and shined brass with a rifle rod up his . . . Then the disease struck, a disease which many have succumbed. Rich had an advanced case and the bone sheets showed it. However, the cheerfulness and the smile remained under that ever lengthening hair. Four years ago it all started. 11 roommates, a lot of beer, and many late study nights later it has finally ended. He has done it all well and he will continue to do so in the future
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Greg A. Doyle
Class of 1980 - Rob P. Quarles

James Scott Bentley
"The Maddog, Sweet Jim"
Redlands, California
History - Armor
Football 4; Lacross 4; Rugby 3,2; Iron-Pumpers 4.3.2.1; Boxing 1; Sec. OGA; Rat XO 1; RDC 1; P.C. Bailiff 3.2.1; Co-Capt. Anti-Prep Club 4.3.2.1; California Dreamer 4.3.2.1.
Saturday night at the local leg lodge, a keg of honey couldn't be sweeter, but the following morning I'd rather put hot coals in my drawers than be the one to awake him. A connoisseur of words, Jim could always find the select ones to loosen britches or settle heated arguments. Jim is an individual in a school of mirrors and has never had trouble expressing exactly what he thought. 'Knowing that Jim's true cravings center around the love for his family, and California Candy, it is amazing (after meeting both) how Jim evolved from such a good-looking family or Candy overlooked the obvious. 'For what is your friend that you should seek him with hours to kill, seek him always with hours to live.' Living with Jim has been full of life. Thank you my West and East Coast friends, my loving family and a very special lady.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Tom Anderson, John Cooper, John
Savage
Class of 1980 - Prince Will Downs (Prince of Oz)
Dickie Moore

William Charles Berry
"Chuck', Clown, Bouiee, and other adjectives"
Blackstone, Virginia
Historical Engineer (Pre-unemployment) - Armor
Pvt. 1.2.4; Cpl. 3; Football 4; Rugby 2.3; Bloodmobile 1.2.3.4-Chairmen; Slaughter House Five 1.2.3.4; Apathy Club 1.2.3.4; Bouiee 1.2.3.4
We are to condense four years in to this passage; it somehow reminds me of VMI. All I can say is that I hope to wake up soon only to learn it was a dream.
Well they began bearably, but like all things it passed and I was no exception. The soap opera goes like this--I am enrolled in Military Science but it seems as though the aerospace program would have been more appropriate considering the number of times I have been shot down; thanks ladies. Life goes on and we learn from the past. And if there was a lesson to be learned it is that friends are gold. Without them one finds himself alone, but thanks to some great friends I survived. There is no need in giving names--right Mike, Mike and Tim, you too Scot. My pen is almost out and so are the years. We have finally made it and enjoyed alot of it--thanks again everyone .
By the way Scot, what time is it? And you boys on the hill, don't worry it will all work out when the checks come in. Was it worth it?
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Robbie Bowman
Class of 1980 - Heartwell Patterson, Scot Singletary





Stephen Andrew Billingsly



Claiborne Fuller Blackley III



Robin Andrew Boardman



Reed Robert Bonadonna



George Borojevich



Steven Wayne Bouchard



Daniel David Bradach



James Bernard Bradshaw

Stephen Andrew Billingsly
"Steve, The Train, Billy, Billings, Little Teebee"
Alexandria, Virginia
English - Infantry
J.V. Football, Track 3-2-1; Young Republicans 4, Private 4-3-2-1, "Ghetto" 3-2-1, Commandants All Pro Team 4-3, Have Room Will Visit 4-3-2-1, President of Eric Clapton Duane Allman Fan Club 4-3-2-1-Forever, P.X. Regulars 4-3-2-1.
The Train roared in with visions of endzone jigs in his size 10 hat but quickly found that the hottest dance around was the "bopping" with Buck. After a few menacing lectures from the Almighty, Billings was pushed into his Third Class year looking for better things - little did he realize . . . By teaming with Joe, Z, and the Marv more laughs, demerits, good times, fights, P.T.'s, and P.C. meetings were produced than V.M.I. could stand; so Buck's knife cut and spread them thin. Thinking of the many memories of summers spent here in Dynamic Lexington brings knee - slapping memories, and few bad ones thanks to Messers, Beam, Daniel, Strohs, Miller, and the rest of the life - giving fluid suppliers. Later for now, Steve. Meet me at the Tombs in 50 years and we'll hit the "stairs" together.
F. Lee
Thanks so much Mom and Dad.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Roy Samuel Ratcliffe (Rapid Boy)
Class of 1980 - Jonathan Guy Ives (John Boy)

Claiborne Fuller Blackley III
Richmond, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Engineers
Football; Wrestling; Rugby; S.A.M.E.; Private 4.3.2.1.
When Clay first strolled through Jackson Arch in August 1973, it was evident by the gleam in his eye he was destined for military perfection. His attitude changed after his first attendance at UVA Easters where he caught a glimpse of what real college life was like, and also generated the first thoughts of why he was here. Of course Clay managed to enjoy the social activities of a rat. It will long be remembered the party at the Robert E. Lee Hotel and the souvenir he wore on top of his head during his walk back to barracks. In all seriousness you couldn't ask for a better roommate. Clay always manages to laugh at almost anything, which helped ease the dreary day-in day-out activities of this lovely university. It's difficult not to laugh at Clay's never ending, and often spontaneous truck driver jokes.
So to Clay we wish success in the future, and thank God it's over.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Stan Poston
Class of 1980 - Charlie Norris

Robin Andrew Boardman
"Andy, Big Andy, AB"
Mount Healthy, Ohio
Economics - Armor
Varsity Football 4.3.2.1; Monogram Club; Pvt. 4.3.2.1; Alfa Company Representative to the OGA; Rum Truckers; FIDO Club; Rack 4.3.2.1; Johnnies 3.2.1.
Andy is the type of person you hate, because he always succeeds and comes on top. Total ambition and motivation were always shown in everything he attempted. Andy has always been a hard worker, whether academically or with the varsity football team. His personal fortitude has carried him through.
Of course when the Reds or any baseball or football team came on TV he has a tendency to put forth maximun effort to see it, but then don't we all. I know Andy is going to make a success of himself and always, regardless of circumstances, he will help his friends in every possible way. It was great to know such a great BR as you, and your personality and sense of humor kept all our BR's seeking your friendship. Good luck, Andy. I hope and know that the future holds much for you.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Alan Beaty
Class of 1980 - Martin Fedenko

Reed Robert Bonadonna
"Apeface, Bigfoot, The Gunney"
Merrick, New York
History - Marines
Pvt. 4, Pvt.-Cpl. 3, Pvt.-Sgt. 2, Pvt. 1; Marine PT Unit 4.3, Rugby 2; Rat Training; Tri-Cap Summer Camp Commando
However you look at it, the 'Little Man' from the 'Big Apple' has been one hell of a good friend.Whether sitting in the X or the PI, the scene was always a little brighter because Reed was there.
While 4 years here at VMI has taken some of us from praying for a Regular Commission to the burning of incense to the God of ADT, Reed has remained 'Marine Green' to the end. The USMC has no more loyal friend - he wants to be a Marine, and he is going to be; there's no two ways about it.
He's been just as loyal to his class and to VMI - these three entities (the Class, the Corps, the Institute being his greatest loves. Here's a Schlitz at the PI to you, Reed, and may the Corps be as good to you as you've been to it.
KWK
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Steve Orr
Class of 1980 - Mike Barnes

George Borojevich
"Dish"
Navarre, Ohio
English - Infantry
Basketball 4.3.2.1
If you can keep your head when all about you,
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you;
If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster
And threat those two imposters just the same;
If you can walk with crowds and keep your virtue,
Or walk with Kings - nor lose the common touch,
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,
If all men count with you, but none too much;
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty second's worth of distance run,
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,
And - which is more - you'll be a Man, my son!
-Rudyard Kipling-
'In four years at VMI nobody has hated or been hated more . . . .
-George Borojevich-
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bob Benninger
Class of 1980 - Steve Wagner

Steven Wayne Bouchard
"Steve"
Lexington, Virginia
History - Air Force
Intramural Basketball 4.3, Captain 2.1; Corporal; Cocke Hall Roundball Club; A Member of the T.V. Elite.
In my four years at VMI, I have supposedly learned a lot about myself. Perhaps some day the lesson will come to me. I have gotten a lot out of this place, some bad and some good, and I imagine as time goes on the good memories will remain foremost. I came to VMI by having to travel the greatest distance (6 miles), and was isolated from my home (except for my visits every weekend). Life was tough with the bad grades and the military getting in the way of my having a picnic, so I went to the basketball courts and the T.V. room. My frustrations were vented, but my grades didn't seem to come up. I wonder why! Now that it is all about to end, I have only one thing to say- I am glad! So in closing I would like to say, - the end.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Chuck Cayton
Clss of 1980 - Joe Himton, Frank Galgano

Daniel David Bradach
"Dancing Bear, Whomper"
Roswell, Georgia
Civil Engineering - Corps of Engineers
Private 1.2.; Corporal 3; DMS; Football 1.2.3.4; Gold Coast 1.2.3.4; Operation Paul Bunyon 3; Dean's other List; Lifetime Membership Paramount; Twin Falls Three Man Jump Team; N.E.B. Pizza Parlor Club; Iron Lung 1.2.3.4.
As a Rat, I remember wondering if the Institute has always been and if it will always be. When did Mother Nature slip up? As a Third, I searched for months in an effort To satisfy my curiosity. I talked with psychologists, physiologists, politicians, physicists, and Cadet Waiters. As a confused and almost perverted Second, I pushed on, more determined than ever. Spring '77 brought the answer. While reigning on my throne in the Main Sinks, I looked up and found my salvation -
TO BE IS TO DO . . .
Sartre
TO DO IS TO BE . . .
Camus
DO - BE - DO - BE - DO . . .
Sinatra
DYKES: Class of 1974 - J. B. Smith
Class of 1980 - Matt Griffin

James Bernard Bradshaw
"Jim, Fanman, Dukie"
Roanoke, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Engineers
Pvt., Cpl., Sgt., Pvt.; Wrestling 4; Monogram Club, Dean's List, American Society of Civil Engineers, Society of American Military Engineers, F.I.I.T.A.S. Club; 4.3.2.1; Pervert Corner 3.2.1; CE Bowling League.
Fanman rode into Lexington from the Star City when visions of top-siders and khaki pants. Jim's first night at the Institute brought him to realize that J.C. and D.K.J. had led him astray. Cpl. Bradshaw was constantly in an academic turmoil, which resulted in Dean's List. Sgt. Bradshaw awoke to the fact that the military life was not his cup of tea. After reducing himself to private, his encounters with the MS Department have been downhill. After 4 days of Fort Bragg, Jim joined the ranks of a special student. The MS Department evened the score by turning the fan on. Jim has indeed been a part of our lives for the past 4 years, and we feel there can be no closer friend than him, and we wish him the best of luck in the years to come.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Paul Hollyfield
Class of 1980 - Vince Copenhaver & John Tinsley





Joseph Albert Bright



Donald Scott Browder



Joseph Macon Brown Jr.



Michael Wayne Brown



Robert Corliss Brown



Mark Hayden Bryant



Wayne Steven Bryant



Dale Allen Bryson

Joseph Albert Bright
"Tex, Bitchin' Bright, Carrot Top"
Muenster, Texas
Civil Engineering - Air Force
Cpl. 3, Plt. Lt. 2; VMI Firefighters 3; Arnold Air Society XO 3.2; Air Explorer Post VP 3.2; ASCE 4.3.2.
Joe came to VMI not directly from the Grandiose settlement of Muenster, Texas (Population: The Brights and all their relatives) but only after a year long detour at the University of Dallas. Finally, he resigned himself to fate and came to Lexington, with dreams of becoming an Air Force Fighter Pilot dancing in his head.It was soon discovered by his Brother Rats that Joe had a penchant for a quick comment or a boisterous complaint. He went from Rat, to Corporal, to Platoon Leader in two short years, with his usual finesse and 'tact' that led him to become the scourge of the A Company Staff Table. Although because of the unusual predicament that he found himself in his last year here, he sometimes felt like 'The man without a Class', he handled the situation commendably, and all his Brother Rats in the Class of '78 wish him luck in the USAF.
DYKES: Class of 1975 - Dave Morris
Class of 1980 - None Damnit!!

Donald Scott Browder
"White Bear, Boot, PA Kid"
Chambersburg, Pennsylvania
Modern Languages - Marine Corps
Dean's List; Pvt., Cpl., 1st Sgt., Capt. 2nd Bn Commander; Armed Forces Club; A.R.T.; Rat Training Cadre; Rat Training Commander; Orienteering Team; Orienteering Club; Sport Parachute Club; PI Club; Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
The Most notable thing about the White Bear during his time at VMI is consistency. He has always been an excellent, squared-away cadet and thereby achieved high rank. He consistently ignored his studies and thereby achieved high grades. He also consistently occupied his rack and consistently took more weekends and furloughs than anyone. After seeing inconsistency in the Army he became a Marine and a topnotch one at that. White Bear's military career will undoubtly be distinguished and colorful. More important, the White Bear became a consistent and leading member Club and a pursuer of women. But most important, he has been a true BR and a friend and that will always remain consistent. 'Good Ruck, Sah!'
DYKES: Class of 1974 - John E. Valenstein
Class of 1980 - Chatnarong 'Sacred Rocks' Sonetirot

Joseph Macon Brown Jr.
"Joe"
Signal Mountain, Tennessee
Economics - Air Force
Varsity Golf 4.3.2. 1.; Kappa Sigma Fraternity 2, "Moe" 1, Room 115 Hay down club
Joe Brown came to VMI to leave with a VMI pig's skin. In his pursuit of the "pork" he played golf every chance he got. To put on his gator and khakies made his day complete. If he didn't hit the course then he found a party at the Feta Psi house at U.Va. He conversed with a lot of women but they failed to listen to the golf stories he told. Joe left his brother rats and went to college his 2nd class year at the University of Tennessee. But all the parties and beer kept messing up his spit shined wejens and he had to return to historic VMI barracks for his 1st class year. Burn that brasso, bury that rifle and frame that skin Mom and Dad.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bruce MCDonald, Greg Doyle
Class of 1980 - Tracy Wilson, Dave Lantz

Michael Wayne Brown
"Mike, Nitro, Brown Shi??"
Nitro, West Virginia
History - Infantry
Pvt., Cpl., Sgt., Pvt., Dean's List; Honor court 2,1; Pres. of the Honor Court 1; Baseball 4.3; Rugby 2,1; Flitas Club 4.3.2.1; Pervert Corner 3,1; Cadet Assistant 1; Hop Escort 1; Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
'Nitro rolled into the big 'I' fresh and clean from the wild wonderful hills of West Virginia. Mike survived his rat year academically and managed to endure life as a 3rd. His personality earned him the utmost respect of out class, resulting in him being elected the Honor Court. Mike finally awoke to the fact that rank was not his bag and quickly adjusted from Sgt. to Grub. Mike's leadership ability earned him the most respected position his first class year - President of the Honor Court. Good times and academics took a back seat and Mike willingly and unselfishly gave his time and efforts in performing his duty to preserve our Honor System. No one could ever find a better or closer friend than Mike. We, Mike's roommates, wish him the best of luck in life.
If it had not been for Mom and Dad I never could have endured VMI
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Paul D. Hollfield
Class of 1980 - Dennis Hackemeyer & Jay McCloskey

Robert Cotliss Brown
"Rob, BS, RC, Baby"
Hamilton, Ohio
English - Navy
Private 4, Corporal 3, Sergeant 2, Private 1; Rugby 3.2.1; Hop and Floor 3.2.1; Moose Club 4.3.2.1; College Republicans 3.2; Glee Club 4; Who's Nobody; Student Grotto 4.3; Laura 3.2.1; Newspaper 3; Dean's Other List 4.3.2.1;
Baby Brown rolled into Keydet Country on August 22,1973, from Hamilton, Ohio He came in search of the U.S. Army and a Civil Engineering degree, and left property of the U.S. Navy, with a degree in English. In between, RC discovered the brew in Richmond, as he decorated six-floors of the Holiday Inn, and in the same year, he discovered Laura in Staunton.
From the humble beginnings, Baby Brown developed into the model Cadet, never letting academics or studying get in the way of his education. His Pinto always points towards Mary Baldwin College, and his hat-shield always points towards the PX. After two wayward years as a ranker, B.S. came to his senses and joined the ranks of the unencumbered for his final year.
He departs VMI older, and somewhat wiser, leaving behind the Rugby Team, Zollomans, an empty hay, and an assortment of empty bottles and cans. Off to sea, BS.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bruce Boswell
Class of 1980 - Cliff Munns, Jim Stauffer

Mark Hayden Bryant
"ROTC"
Belleville, Michigan
Biology - Infantry
Cpl., Sgt., Lt.; Fencing Team 4.3.2.1; Glee club 4.3.2, VP 1; VMI Firefighters 3.2.1; DMS; Pre-Med Society; Charter Member SO3 SS BS and Boy's Club; SOV.
Back in August 1973 a spaced out civilan whose first reaction was to jump ship arrived at the healthful and pleasant abode. Some doubted that even the combined wrath of J.B. Smith and Mr. Bohon could salvage a 'fair speciman' from such a miserable rodent. They were wrong; in fact Bravo Company Rats will attest to the fact that the Class of 1974 created some sort of Frankenstein. Can we blame them? Only a monster could enjoy Summer Camp and consort with hayrolls, woodticks B.D.S., Etc. But never fear Mark, if you don't get lost on some God-forsaken orienteering course or snagged by a pair of legs and a pretty face . . . well, maybe even if you do you're bound for great things . . . the Great Lakes, The Great Barrier Reef and if you're lucky the Great Plains.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bob Bellemare
Class of 1980 - Mike O'Neill & Mark Sobota

Wayne Steven Bryant
"Dog"
Roseland, Virginia
Chemistry - Armor
Dean's List for three years; Academically distinguished; Young Republican's; American Chemical Society; Intramural Handball & Football; D.M.S.; German Award.
Some cadets come to V.M.I. for the purpose of starting a Military career while others seek to obtain an highly rated college education. However, after four years I still can't decide why I chose to come to V.M.I. Anyway, after the first week of Cadre, I knew the next four years were going to be a challenge and decided I might as well give an honest effort. Before I knew it, my first year was over. My third class year went by rather slowly. It seemed that Rm. 330 was going to be condemned if the Tac officers got their way. However, we managed to conceal most of the dirt under our Locker's and escaped guarantine. Everything started to look up the next year, with Ring-Figure turning out to be a great success. Now that the end is in sight, I'm looking forward to moving on to something new. However, I'm sure I will be back for the football games just to keep Newby from getting soft.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - John Bumgardner
Class of 1980 - Ray Paige & Allen Selnau

Dale Allen Bryson
"Dale, Al, Hey You!"
Norfolk, Virginia
Modern Languages - Field Artillery
Pvt. 4.3, Cpl.3, Sgt. 2, 1st Class Pvt.; Debate Team 4.3.2.1 - Team Secretary 3.2, Team Captain 1; DMS; Engish Speaking Union 3.2.1; Who's Nobody (The VMI Social Register) S-5 Staff 3.2.1; Rat Daddy 4.3.2.1.
This place seemed too easy for a military school, on that warm August afternoon. Little did any of us know! Dale adapted pretty well, though. He tried real hard, he always did. Brother Rat really means something to this guy; he's VMI all the way. You wouldn't know it, the way he sort of keeps to himself, but he's willing to help when you really need somebody. And that's what counts most. Dale had no great aspirations for rank. His pleasure came in those endless hours of preparation for debating. But he is a capable leader in any area, and if you work with him long enough, you'll see it come out. The future is his to command, if he takes his VMI 'whole man' education seriously. I think we'll hear a lot about him in the future, and we can be proud he's our Brother Rat. ' . . .and they will fear it, the Spirit, the will to win or die . . .
VMI Tribute
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Jim Cottrell
Class of 1980 - Yves Pollart & Bob Wheeler





Henry R. Bungay



Mark Elmo Burks



John Joseph Butchko



William Edwards Bynum



Stephen Alan Callihan



Wate Phillip Camper



Bruce Cameron Cann



Dale Allen Carr

Henry R. Bungay
"Hank, Animal, Wild Man"
Civil Engineering - Marines
Rugby 3,2,1; Rat Training 4,3; Sport Parachute Club 1; PLC Jr. Camp 74; Bulldog 76; Summer School 75 & 76; Unathorized Motor Vehicle 4,3,2; 1st Ranking Cpl. A Co.; 1st Ranking Line Sgt. A Co.; 1st Class Pvt. A Co.; Ghetto 4,3,2,1.
Since coming to the Institute 4 long years ago Hank has had many interests and endeavors. Through it all he even found time to study occasionally.
Enduring 4 years living with John Vizzi is an accomplishment in itself, although perhaps the 2 Wild Men deserved each other. After going through a vast assortment of roommates, they finally found several acceptable ones.
Many exciting episodes linger in his past. These include frequent wild adventures with the Fleetwood, Harpo, Kel, the White Bear and as a VMI Rugger; but also include some more tame and reserved actions at the girl's schools and finally, the animal will long be remembered at his home-away from home, the Paramount Inn. In retrospect, Hank has accomplished more than most while at VMI and has been unsurpasses as a loyal friend and BR. Now he movs on to greater accomplishments in the big Corps; i.e. US Marines. Semper Fi - the White Bear.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Steve Ham
Class of 1980 - Wade Stinnette

Mark Elmo Burks
"Elmo"
Alexandria, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Air Force
Cpl. 3, Sgt. 2, Lt. (A Co. XO) 1; Rugby 4; Scuba Club 4; ASCE 4,3,2,1; Arnold Air Society 4,3,2,1; Air Explorer 2; American Legion Silver Medalist; Airborne.
It's been three years since I met Elmo in August 1973. From bar-hopping in D.C. our third class year to being nominally in charge of Alfa our First Class year, we've seen good times and bad. Three years - not long really - but in that time Elmo has become one of my best friends. (Despite the fact he's rolled on the floor laughing everytime I've gotten boned.) I've managed to overlook that the same way he's managed to overlook my somewhat 'Yankee' attitude towards the South. So in the end, we've broken even and remained best friends. He's one of the few IP's left in AFROTC, which is good, because you don't have to know Elmo long to realize his first love is flying. All I can say is good luck, buddy. take care, and touch the 'Face of God' once for me.

KWK

DYKES: Class of 1974 - Marvin Watts
Class of 1980 - John Wayne Diggs

John Joseph Butchko
"Spaceko", "Gisbag", "J.J."
Linden, New Jersey
Chemistry - Armor
Lethargy Club 4,3,2,1; Sigma Pi Sigma, Tanker Platoon 2; Dean's List; V.M.I. Sport Parachute Club.
John arrived at V.M.I. ready for four years of good times, parties, liquor, women etc. What he received were sweat parties, hard work and a fiancee. Well . . . You knew the job was dangerous when you took it.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Joel Denton
Class of 1980 - Roberto Robinson

William Edwards Bynum III
"Will, Wine, Wilber"
Sumter, South Carolina
Civil Engineering - Engineers
Basketball 4,3,2,1; Co-Cpt. 1; All American; Tennis 4,3,2,1; Co-Cpt. 2,1; Monogram Club 3,1; ASCE; CE Bowling League; Ghetto; Who's Who in the Zoo in 142; Pvt.4,3,2,1; Dean's List 4,3,2,1; Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
'Success depends on previous preparation, and without such preparation there is sure to be failure' - CONFUCIUS - This is the attitude which Wilber carried through 4 trying years at VMI. Shubie and Noodles and Will set his mind on an engineering degree and 'shooting hoop' for the roundballers. He, without a doubt, accomplishd his goals, being on the Dean's List all 4 years and leading the B-Ball team to a Southern Conference Championship and the quarter finals of the NCAA playoffs. A weekend with Trish is what 'the Wine' needed to get his mind off VMI for a while and enjoy the simple things of life, which one seldom experinces at The Big 'I'. Life could have been a bore without him, and we boys of 142, thank him! So long Wine- Just remember the words of Confucius and you surely will be successful in everything you do.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - David Lester
Class of 1980 - Wes Evens & Landon Wellford

Stephen Alan Callihan
"Steve, Quimfock, Zit"
Houston, Texas
English - Infantry
VMI Theater; Scuba Diving; Sport Parachute Club; Flying; Motorcycling; New Market March; Lethargy Club 4,3,2,1; Member Diane Weber Fan Club; H.H.W.S. 4,3,2.
Steve's 4 years at VMI have been characterizing by a record amount of time spent: 1) with members of the opposite sex. 2) in the rack. 3) on confinement and 4) lying down on warm roads. His expertise in these areas will undoubtedly contribute to his future success in his chosen field of work (if they ever legalize it and especially if they don't).
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Rich Leonard
Class of 1980 - Alex Woelper & Robert Titus

Wate Phillip Camper
"Woodtick, tick, tickie, Fox Jr."
Buchanan, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Army Engineering
Indoor Track, 4, Young Republicians, 4, Student Grotto, 4,3 ASCE 4,3,2,1, VMI Firefighters 2,1, 503 SS BS Society, "Boys Club" - Chairman, S.O.V., Cpl., Lt.
Sailing nonchalantly into the Big I following his brothers reputation Woodtick quickly won the attention of many upperclassmen who had known his brother more than well. Finding Phil was always easy, one had only to look a)in his rack, b)in the Paramount (or any other place beer was sold) c)on route to Buchanan, or d)wherever Diane was. A strong believer in the VMI Summer School, Phil developed the "Silent but Deadly" old corps style of leadership. Somehow I feel that Woodtick will be just as easy to find about ten years from now. A man who enjoys the simple things in life, his strength of character still comes through. Until we meet again B.R., keep the "77" spirit and best of luck.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - James Parks
Class of 1980 - Eli Alford

Bruce Cameron Cann
"Bruce, Trash, Beaver"
Richmond, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Engineering
Private 1,2,3,4; Circulation Manager Cadet Newspaper 1; A.S.C.E. 1,2,3; Summer School 1, (?),2,3,4; Rat Track; "The Corner"; Duck's Sunday-Hospital Monday; Tiger Echo; Beaver Club; Prep Club 1,2,3,4; St. Chris 73.
Bruce is beyond a doubt the closest thing VMI has ever had to a day student. A permanent resident of Rugby Road and a weekday visitor to Lexington. He has left many people wondering exactly which school he is enrolled in-always prepared, however, he has a uniform for both locations!
Being a sociable person, Bruce is full of good spirits (distilled or brewed) which coupled along with his desires for a few late night B's with the P, have led him on many a nocturnal dash to nearby party institutions. Settling down enough to study has enabled Bruce to envision graduation and to forsee the better things to come with it - unlimited weekends, early checks, haydown every day, etc. - all in all its been a lot of laughs.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - John McLaren
Class of 1980 - Jimmy Parsons

Dale Allen Carr
"The Kid, The Shadow"
Alexandria, Virginia
Civil Engineer - Engineers
Pvt. 4,3,2,1; Member A.S.C.E., Chairman 1; Member S.A.M.E. 2,1; Cadet Asst.Preston Lib. 3, Head Cadet Asst. 2,1; Hop and Floor 4,3,2, Treasurer 1; DMS; Academically Distinguished; F-Troop; 3.0 No Go Club; Number One Club; The Zoo; NEB 7.
Dale came to the "I" at the innocent age of 16 with only thoughts of a special girl at home, getting a RA, and wearing Academic stars. He did okay until he met me and the chances we took. It all started when we went through Washington Arch and got caught by the Reg. S-3 and ended with our number one in the Labor Day Massacare. Dale helped me in more ways than I can mention or ever repay. For those of us who really got to know him, I truthfully believe we can all say he is a damn good guy and a hell-a-va good friend. He would bend over backwards to help me out and because of that I could never find a truer friend; so the Shadow and I shall stick together even after graduation. Good luck to my best friend. MWD
DYKES: Class of 1974 - George Van Lathem
Class of 1980 - Bill Kelly





John Carles Coe



Thomas Andrew Cole



Michael Harold Conaway



Charles Andrew Conner III



Jerry Thomas Corley



Carmine Antonio Corvasce II



John David Creedon



George Willis Cross Jr.

John Charles Coe
"Co-Host, Beany"
Mount Laurel, New Jersey
Spanish-Navy-Surface Line
Pvt., CPL., Reg't Sgt, Captain (Reg't S-5), Dean's List, Riding Team, Arnold Air Society Officer, Number 1 Club (Mid-night bomber); NSIC Co. C.O.; English Society; Agressor Unit; A Co. Rum Truckers; Military Order of the World Wars Award; Asst. Deck Officer U.S.S. Nashville (ID 13); Sport Parachute Club (Crash and Burn); Posit Committee; The Cadet; Spirit Committee; RFYL; FIDO
What can a person say about a guy who throws a can of beer at the O.C. from the third stoop and turns out to be a member of the Regimental Staff? John and I have done a lot together, like parking that Air Force Jet in Jackson Arch, and trucking to White's *before* the OCMNI. John has been a great friend and one that will not be forgotton. How could I forget somebody that has such a diverse personality? He is a ranker and non-ranker, conservative and liberal - all in one. One thing's for sure -- John will be the first LA to graduate from VMI with a diploma that confers a degree in "BS, Magna Golden Shovel." Good luck always.
"AIRBORNE." MLP
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Scott Fraser
Class of 1980 - Bert Liverance; Bill Roelofson

Thomas Andrew Cole
"TC, Bulkman, Carl, Gut Wrench, Grit, Short Pump"
Richmond, Virginia
History - Infantry
Cocke Hall Weightlifting and Strength Club; Cat Man Fan Club; Football 4.3.2, Student Coach 1; Number One Club; Cocke Hall Drinking and Social Club; Pervert Court; Non Letterman; Academic Pro; Conduct Pro.
To some people it seems that Thomas has made a tremendous effort to adjust to VMI. The truth is he has not adjusted at all, he just doesn't get caught anymore. His football career was stifled by 2 knee injuries and coaches who did not know what to do with a defensive back that was stronger than most linemen.
Who can forget the time Thomas went to W&L's Zollaman's party in gym shorts, black low quarter shoes and black socks, or the time he hung out the third story window of Cocke Hall in order to avoid getting caught drinking, or the time he bit a fellow cadet on the eyebrow in the Paramount, or the time he took the doorknob off his door to prevent 3rd's from opening it and giving him a sweat party or . . . the list is endless.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - David Lester
Class of 1980 - Russell Long & Rick Gilbert

Michael Harold Conaway
"Crank, Whitney, Fatty Crank."
Virginia Beach, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Navy
Private 4.3.2, Lieutenant 1; Football 4.3.2.1.; ASCE 4.3.2.1; Monogram Club 4.3.2.1; C.E. Bowling League; Estelles Bar and Grill club; "Ghetto"; "Who's Who in the Zoo in 142";
Four-score minus seventy-seven tears ago Crank entered VMI with aspirations of becoming a famous brain surgeon. After one short semester he nibbled at D.K.'s bait and enrolled in the college of engineering, soon to fill his life with the N.E.B. activities, however after he and T.H.E. coconuts failed numerous attempts to install a T.V. antenna on top of the barracks, he not only had the antenna swiped by Long John, but had my tube Hi-jacked by a brother squid. On top of that catastrophe the squid didn't even allow crank to finish watching Star Trek, especially when the clingons had Kirk hostage. And of course there was always Carol who seemed to be here when he needed her most. I'm sure she was a major factor in his success at VMI. He always added a bright note into each day and seemed to be around when he needed to talk. His success will not stop here.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Pete Meridith
Class of 1980 - Tom Johnson, Kirk Berkhimer, Mark Byrd

Charles Andrew Conner III
"Chuck"
Lexington, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Army
Cpl. 3; Sgt 2; Lt 1; Wrestling 4.3; A.V.S.A. Sec. 2, Pres. 1 A.S.M.E 2.1; A.S.C.F. 1.2.3.4. Bicentennial color squad 2.1 Firefighters 1; New Market March 2; Cadre 2.1; Rat Training Cadre 1.
When most rats matriculate they spend days in preparation; for Chuck it was just another trip to town. He wasn't upset when Bob pulled the tail off the lizard. He even offered to bite the hamster in two before Quack slammed it in the door. His start at V.M.I. was slow, first a go at biology and it wasn't until midway in the first semester of our 3rd class year that he shorn his hair for the bars of a corporal. Chuck, I came to V.M.I. to learn to be a C.E., but you have educated me. I guess that all the turkey head, cake tins, uni-files, frogs and flies can be summed up in one way. Chuck you've got a good attitude. I know Bob and I, along with Tim will remember you every Thursday.

DYKES: Class of 1974 - Gary Shut
Class of 1980 - Tom Harms

Jerry Thomas Corley
"Jerry"
Ashland, Virginia
History - Air Force
Pvt. 4, Cpl. 3, Pvt. 2, Pvt. 1, Young Republicans, 4; Ring Figure Dine Committee, 2; Fellowship of Christian Athletes, 1; Monogram Club, 1; Varsity Baseball 3.2.1.; Lynchburg Guard Rail Sleepers Union, 1; Va. Tech Raiders
August 22, 1973 - A day which will live in my memory forever. Since then four years of my life have passed here at VMI and I must admit they have been unique ones. It would be impossible to detail all of the experiences I have had here. Just suffice it to say that I have experienced the good with the bad. At this time I cannot perceive the impact that VMI has upon a person. The answer to this lies somewhere in my future. However, I can say that I realize the friendships which I leave with are the ones which will always remain with me. Some day I hope to be able to better show my appreciation to all those who helped me when the going was tough. Thanks to Lynne for everything. You've been very understanding. To you, Mom and Dad, I will always be indebted. Your faith and pride in me kept me going. I could not have done it without you. It's been an experience. I leave with no regrets.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - John Williams
Class of 1980 - Kirk Deadrick, Billy "Creature" Young

Carmine Antonio Corvasce II
Hauppauge, New York
History - Infantry
Run For Your Life 3.2.1; Adv. Rat Training 4; Society of Young Democrats 1; Firefighters 2.1; Chairman of Construction Committee for Ring Figure '77 2; English Society 2; Civil War Round Table 1; NY - NJ Club 3.2.1; Member of PI Club; Cadet Cpl 3.
Long before he arrived at the big 'I' Carmine was bent on achieving high goals. Though his idealistic view may have made his standards high, this is the man with the drive and the character to make you believe in his standards. Carmine applied himself to the 'whole man' concept with equal drive. Many's the night that we've heard the Italian Terror's blood curdling cry pierce the night . . . and try explaining that to the OC, the patrons of the PI, etc.
In life, Carmine will be a man of loyalty and principle who will be a valuable asset to whomever he serves. Our thoughts and heartfelt wishes go with you BR.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Mike Erzen
Class of 1980 - Richard Legere & Kenneth Ciarrocca

John David Creedon
"Juan, Bugs Bunny, Slug"
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Modern Languages - Army
Pvt. 4.3.2.1, 2 year army ROTC Scholarship, distinguished military student, U.S. Army military history award, Dean's list, Academic stars, Foreign Exchange Program, Intramural Boxing, VMI Equestrian team, Rat training Cadre, New Market March, Civil War Roundtable, Cadet assistant, College Republicans, Scuba Club, The Bar and Grill, Baptist Supper Union, The VMI Musket Squad.
When Juan came to V.M.I. his goals were high and with a nickname like Bugs Bunny we knew he would succeed. Now four years later he wears academic stars and has a long list of accomplishments. After spending a year in the hot Mexican sun he came back to the I, to suffer with the rest of us. Who will ever forget his painful moans on the New Market march or his Greta Garbo eyeshades. During his second class year he earned his stars and the slug award for an inate ability to sleep all the time. After four years Juan leaves for a bright future. To a true brother rat and a close friend...GOOD Luck.GAT
DYKES: Class of 1980 - Richard Waldrop

George Willis Cross Jr.
"Bill, B.C."
Covington, Louisiana
History - Artillery
S-5 Staff 3; Student Grotto 4.3; Number One Club 2; Rat Rapelling Inst. 3; Corporal 3; Private 2.1; Tucker Crew 1; Rugby 2.1; Rugby Party Chairman 1; Newspaper Rat Typist 4; Beer Drinkers-Hell Raisers 4.3.2.1; Ghetto 1; Sir Edmund Hillary Club 3.2.1; Hop & Floor 4.3.2.1.
Its been a long road without time for many breaks. Time has flown by even for a person who spent 1/3 of his time on confinement. Even on confinement I managed to have a good time partying with all the boys for whom I owe the greatest part of my education. To those looney folks I say thanks, you know who you are. lets not stop the good times we have. As for my stay at the Lexington Hilton all I can say is that it's been real and I can't wait to collect my bets at graduation.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bailey Hurley
Class of 1980 - Charles Latham





John Ralph Cutright



John Spencer Daniel III



Randolph Digges Darden Jr.



Michael William Davis



Oscar Lelon Davis III



Rafael Benjamin Davis



Felix Elbert Deacon III



Luis Henry DeBayle

John Ralph Cutright
"Hollywood Swinger, J.C."
Roanoke, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Air Force
Historian Class of '77; Football 4,3,2; Rugby 1; American Society of Civil Engineers Sec-Treas. 3; VP 2, Pres 1; Dean's List 4,3,2,1; Commandant's List 3; Superintendent's List 3; FITAS Club 4,3,2,1;Pvt. 4,2,1; Cpl. 3; CE Bowling League; Pervert's Corner 4,3,2,1; Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
Hollywood was lured to VMI by the head Fisherman in the CE Dept. JC managed through his rat year achieving high academics. As a 3rd he saw the light realizing that rank was not along his line. He gained the utmost respect within the class and was elected Historian of our class. Football trips like the Citadel helped JC maintain his composure at VMI. He gave up football and settled for hunting, fishing, and mud running in his Big Orange I with 4-wheel drive and a CB inside. We, as JC's Roommates, have developed a close and loyal bond with him and know that he will be successful in life. We wish JC the best of luck in all that he does. I want to thank my family, Debbie and her family, and everyone else who has tolerated me and helped me endure VMI
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Moore, R.M.
Class of 1980 - Moore, T. & Cox, C.B.

John Spencer Daniel III
"Jack"
Newport News, Virginia
Biology - Field Artillery
Pvt. 4,3,2,1; Sgt. 2, Cpl. 3; Football 4; Cross Country 3; Lacross 4,3,2,1 (Capt. 1); Slaughterhouse Five 2,1; Class Treasurer;VMI Cadet, Consulting Editor; Sounding Brass; Bato Fan Club 1; Vice-Chairman Cadet Bicentennial Committee; Gunner, Howitzer Section, Richmond Philharmonic Symphony; Monogram Club 3,2,1; Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
' . . .and through it all, when there was doubt, I ate it up and spit it out . . .' that's what the song says. Jack Daniel is a winner because when things counted, his actions were the same as his words. He means what he says. Lacrosse balls through the OC' s window, Football as a rat, and innumerable procession of stripes and stars; all things culminating in the Serbian big black machine. An equally amazing procession of female talent was also added, attuned to a Rimsky-Korsikoff symphony.
If there was such a thing as 'courage and wisdom' Jack would come close to that ideal. And he has the good sense not to become a artilleryman but a doctor.
We can say we came away from the Institute with more than a diploma by knowing this man. Maybe somewhere there will be a monument reading 'Daniel will be heard from today' At any rate, you will see him again.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Richard Leonard
Class of 1980 - Rob Leatherbury & Farhad Bigdeli

Randolph Digges Darden Jr.
"R.D.", "Randy"
Richmond, Virginia
C.E. - Engineer
Tennis 4,3,2,1; Room 115 Hay Down Club 1; Ast. "Moe" 1
R.D. came to the Big I with his mind made up to slide by with everything he could and dreams of becoming the world's greatest C.E.? Well, one out of two isn't bad. He has succeeded in everything from returning late from Hops without getting caught to being a lover in N.E.B. Randy is a strong summer school supporter and if he had a nickel for every trip he took to the Knight Gallery he'd never have to worry about an income for the rest of his life. Randy's gain of a diploma is V.M.I.'S loss. Randy is a true Brother Rat and one of V.M.I.'s best. He is an asset to the best class in barracks and his Brother Rats know it and will never forget it.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Jack McQuen
Class of 1980 - Jim Mikle

Michael William Davis
"Mike, Little Red, Little Shadow"
New Market, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Engineers
Pvt . 4, Cpl. 3, Sgt. 2, Pvt. 1; Rugby 4,3; ASCE 4,3,2,1; Hop & Floor Committee 4,3,2, Pres. 1; Cadet Asst. Preston Library; Dean's List; Distinguished Military Student; No. 1 Club; Member of the Nichols Seven.
From the small town of New Market, 'Little Red' came to the Big 'I' not knowing what was in store for him. If it wasn't for 'Buns' and the many weekends that they were together, it would have been rough. Mike's first 3 years were smooth sailing; he had Stacey in his back pocket and his luck was something to be seen. But by the time we were firsts, Stacey was no longer here and his luck took a nose dive. It all started when we went to NEB for a party and ended up with a Number One. Someone has to tell 'Pvt.' Whittaker that he is a real party-pooper, everyone just fell apart when he came through the only exit. But, all in all, the times we spent together have been an experience. I'll never forget him, he's been a great friend and a true Brother Rat.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Snookie Parker
Class of 1980 - Dave Bryant

Oscar Lelon Davis III
"Chip"
Gaffney, South Carolina
History - Armor
Varsity Football, Firefighters, F.C.A; B.S.U.; Drug Advisory Council; Lacrosse; Summer School Mainstay; Pvt - 4,3,2,1; 10-4 Club; 4 - Wheelin Boondoggers Club; Hokie Destroyer; J.C. Power and Light Company
A history of 4 major years of my life in (no more than 140 words). They have been 4 solid years also, because I was an Allstar Summer school Academiamaniac. Ups and downs - sure but all in all; learning - the grades don't show it - but they wouldn't. I might not have aced calc I, but greater things I have learned.
As a journey-man football player - experience I lacked, but gained each day, not always pertaining strictly to the gridiron. A lot more could be said, but most just good memories never forgot. So I close expressing my thanks to those who made the trip more bearable. The B.R.'s of course - a few in particular. The Brothers - especially Big Red and the "13" group. My dyke, Bud, and his family. A never ending thanks to the colonel and Mrs. Riethmiller, Alex and Meg. And a tremendous, special thanks to my parents! After all, they made it possible!
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Jim Wilkerson
Class of 1980 - Bud Zirkle, Walter Moffat

Rafael Benjamin Davis
"Ralph"
Coral Gabler, Florida
Chemistry - Armor
Pvt. 4,3,2,1; Bomb Photo Staff 3; Cadet 1; Flag Football 3,1; Special Conduct Pro Club 3,1; Excess Club 3; H.D.&A.D. Club 3; Operation Facelift 77 1; '77 5-year Club.
Good ol' Ralph can be summed up in one question.. "Why?" Why did he journey up to the straight pants of VMI from sunny Florida? Why did he & Steven goof off so much 3rd class year, to not be asked to return for '75-76? Then, why did he work so damn hard to get back in, only to join the ranks of the 5-year club? Why didn't he stay in the citrus state when he had his chance? Why did he sell his beautiful car? Why is he such a shutterbug and not on the Bomb Staff? And last but not least, why has such a wonderful guy waited, alone, so long to choose his lady?? Why? Because he was looking for the girl to answer all his questions. Best of luck and to you and Mary.. See ya next year, Bro!
Wooly Bugger '77
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Ed Walls
Class of 1980 - Ned Gudgel(The Phantom)

Felix Elbert Deacon III
"Bert, Deac, Redhead"
Richmond, Virginia
History - Infantry
Vice-Pres. Class of '77; Varsity Tennis 4,3,2; Cpl. 3, Sgt. 2, Pvt. 4,1; Monogram Club 4,3,2; Executive Committee and General Committee 3,2,1; Room 115 Hay Down Club; Dean's List.
One thing we didn't like was always informing Deacon weekly on what went on at VMI from completion of MD Friday to taps Sunday 'cause he was never there.' He was always getting the good life somewhere. Bert was always ready to lend a helping hand to any of his Brother Rats and was typical of the Brother Rat Spirit. In fact his BR's elected him Vice-Pres. of the class. Bert may be called a 'born leader.' From class affairs to the tennis courts he would always exert himself.One of his greatest qualities was his ability to get along with everyone and his personality allowed this to happen. We know Bert will be successful in his future endeavors.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Rod Beard
Class of 1980 - John Stallings & Tommy Earle

Luis Henry DeBayle
"Gato, X"
Managua, Nicaragua
Economics - Infantry
When things went wrong as they sometimes will, When the ground we trudged on was called the "hill". When funds were low and debts were high, we wanted to smile, but had to cry. When the system pushed us down a bit, we'd relax with true blue, but never quit. Life was queer with its twists and turns, as we roommates have surely learned. We'll never forget four-twenty-four, the memory will linger for evermore. We didn't give up through the pace was slow we turned to Mount View, or did you know? Failure was success turned inside out, we to Hillary with out a doubt. A diary is kept of X,Y, and Z, a book of which only we can see. Once we were four, but now we are three; so now to all we say farewell, let it be known that we did quite well.
DYKES: Class of 1975 - Robert Frisbie
Class of 1979 - Mao Curtis





Lee John DeMeo



Thomas Joseph Paul DeSalvo



Robert Michael Devens



Michael Edward Dick



Michael Warren Dronen



John Anthony Esada Jr.



Edward Paul Farrell Jr.

Lee John DeMeo
"Lee-jha, DeMeo-jha, DiMaaow"
Syosset, New York
English - Armor
BSU 2, Social Chairman 1; Bomb 4,3,2; Layout Ed 2; Cadet 4; Sounding Brass 1; Cadet Waiters 2,1;VMI Theater 3; Ice Hockey Club 4,3,2; Scouter's Club 2; Firefighters 2,1.
I have a story to tell, for my class history is a story of thanks.
For it is thanks for VMI and the time I have spent here. For on a mountaintop weekend away from these barracks walls, a new life I found, in the hope only Jesus Christ can provide.
It is thanks for Mom and Dad - Gifts so special in the family I do love.
It is thanks for Bob, for being so close. Dave for your guidance, and Glenn, just for being you. And for you Melinda, it is thanks for your example of love, and God's gift ahead.
The Lord will command His loving kindness in the day time:
And His song will be with me in the night,
A prayer to the God of my life
Ps.42:8
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Jim Roper
Class of 1980 - Ivan Pupulidy, John Turner & Don Ragona

Thomas Joseph Paul DeSalvo
"Tom, Wop, Godfather, Uncle Tom, Chief, Mr. One"
Norfolk, Virginia
Modern Languages - Civilian
'Rat', 3 Rat Training Cadre; 2,1, VMI Glee Club; VMI Student Grotto; J.F.W. Caldwell 'Hate' Club; Host of the 498 Sweat Party Club; Class of '77 VPI Raid Team; 1st Sgt. 2, Regt. S-1 1; 144 Ghetto Club; VP Hop and Floor Committee.
Wow! How can a person or two people for that matter begin to capsulize 4 years at VMI? Since most of the hardships we endured as cadets were in 'union', we've decided to collaborate for a more entertaining history.
From the Matriculation line, to the parade ground (to belly-button), thru '11' JFW sweat parties, Kidd Kurre and 'the Chief' braved a hard ratline of 6 months, 29 days, 23 hours, 45 Min. and 5 seconds. There must be something about lying on your back, next to your roommate, in pools of sweat that causes a greater appreciation for the decision to come to VMI. There must be something about lying in those pools of sweat until 'the smoke of battle clears' and *then* deciding to take a shower that causes a greater appreciation for the 'Ratline' and 'Brother Rat Spirit'. see Kurre, EL
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Fred Parks
Class of 1980 - Rick Price

Robert Michael Devens
"Sledge"
Blacksburg, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Engineers
Cpl., Regt. Color Sgt. (Sr.), 1st Bn S-3; DMS; ASCE; Soc. of Amer. Mil. Engrs; V-Pres. Newman Club; Pres. of VMI Scuba Club; Member of St. Patrick's Parish Council Intramural Director; Designer in '77 Ring Design Committee; Recondo; Militaria Society.
Leaving the Country Clubs and football fields at Blacksburg, Bob came to VMI desiring a commission as a Combat Engineer. But coming for Hokie territory had a lot to be desired as a Rat. Being an Army Brat, Bob came mentally and physically ready for the new style of life and with his family's support set out to make a name for himself.
Bob's ability to lead and compassionately understand and advise troubled cadets gained him the respect and friendship of his Brother Rats. He never took life for granted. Bob would say he could never express enough gratitude to his parents for how they raised him and what they had done for him. With his knowledge and maturity, I am sure Bob will make a fine officer or engineer. What else can I say; he is the best BR and friend one could ever have.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Wayne Newman, Bob Smith, Mike Stark
Bob Cunningham
Class of 1980 - Mark Short & Andy Ludlum

Michael Edward Dick
"Mike"
Winchester, Virginia
History - Marine Corps
1st Class Honor Court Rep.; Wrestling Team 4,3,2,1; Monogram Club 3,2,1; Pres. Young Democrats 3,2; Cadet Staff; History Honors and Midnight Oil Team; International Relations Club 1; Peanut Pusher 1; Ghetto 2; Pervert Corner 1; Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
'The woods are lovely, dark and deep,
But I have promises to keep,
And miles to go before I sleep,
And miles to go before I sleep. --Robert Frost--
The little guy that nobody thought of as anything but big. One word tells what Mike was at the Institute. Respected. You can trust him farther than Nenad could throw him...that's pretty far. He was a friend to be valued by all of us, and he was a brother to me. --If the Marines don't have to hit the dunes in the Middle East, then you can find him on Capitol Hill. All the best to you, jarhead. Keep your face to the front and the rear will take care of itself.
OOOORAAHHhh . . .
'I am a Democrat and a politician and I'm proud of it.'
--Harry S. Truman--
DYKES: Class of 1974 - John Riding, Steve Colwell, Joe Cini
Class of 1980 - Hassan Ali Mahan & Dwight Pearson

Michael Warren Dronen
"Miku, Boulee, Spike"
Hampton, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Air Force
Football 4; Lacross 4; Boxing 2,1; Track 3; Scuba Diving Club 3,2; Honor Court; RDC; Cpl 3; American Society of Civil Engineers; Slaughter House 5.4,3,2,1.
He entered unknowingly, almost a Marine, but now a refined gentleman. The quiet rat has turned into a quiet first, with the only difference being his semi-college haircut. And has that been a long time since the Robert E. Lee and those anxious moments. Enough of the past and on to the 3rd class year not having changed after summer and freedom, we picked up where we left off. That being nothing, although Mike came close to death by almost contracting leprosy. The scare soon passed and all Mike had was a 10-3-15. The saga continues and we find Mike at UVa with a friend. That night he discovered that SPE and Southern Comfort don't mix, but thank goodness Doc was around. The previous evening's adventure did however present Mike with a very special hangover and next year's excitement. Finally, his senior year came and with it a new white sheet; my roommate, the quiet rat.His car had miles on it and his friendship is almost as long. With Mike things go better and we all appreciate what 'great' means.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Mike Folye
Class of 1980 - Rick Penn & Dave Madden

John Anthony Esada Jr.
"The Boozer, Wild Man"
Hampton, Virginia
Chemistry - Air Force
Cpl. 3, Pvt. 4,2,1: Firefighters 4; AAS 3,2; Handball 3,1; Weightlifting 2; ACS 2; Ring Figure Committee 2; Cheerleaders 1.
High school, full time with the girls. John (WILDMAN) Esada, came to VMI as a naive young boy, however in the past 4 years he has blossomed into a big, brawny cheerleader with a natural Fro. Although he has had many different roommates, no one has been able to pin down the reason for his curly locks. As a budding young chemist who has put up with 4 years of trial and error, maybe someday he will find an answer. The other side of John finds him as a part-time bartender and a full time partier. John has never been known to pass up a good time for any reason, and hopefully he never will. Just wait for this true VMI grad on alumni weekend next year. HAVE BAR WILL TRAVEL!!!! Hang in there BR.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Charlie Tyler
Class of 1980 - P.A. Vock & R.L. Sepulveda

Edward Paul Farrell, Jr.
"Boomer, N'Farrell"
Richmond, Virginia
Civil Engineers - Engineers
No 1 Club; Pvt 4,3,2,1.
Boomer arrived at VMI in a conventional manner - it was the last ordinary thing he has done! Never one to be satisfied with the common achievements, Paul always reached for the top rung on the ladder of laughs and the bottom rail on the 4th stoop. Showing his beastly side, Paul strived to send more than one stoopie to an early grave with his mid-air dangles over the bandwell.
Boomer, forever consious of the public eye, often exposed his best parts for the public to see! To be sure - he has gained far reaching reputation as a human hood ornament and turned many heads with his high speed "flashes" of unsuspecting bystanders.
To try to rehash all of his antics in this short space would be difficult, to forget them would be impossible! Look out Lady Luck, you've met your match.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Joseph Cino Cini
Class of 1980 - Francis Bell





Charles Thomas Floyd



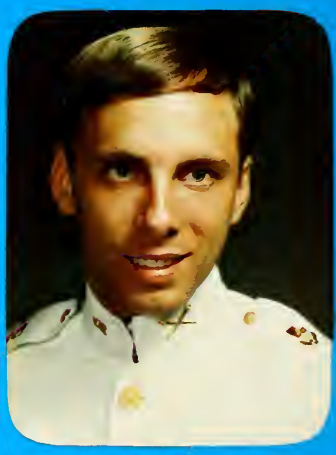
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Lawrence M. Foltz



Stephen Ernest Fontaine



Craig Thomas Forbes



Lee Gephart Foresman



Randal Stuart Foster



Michael Joe Freeman

Charles Thomas Floyd
"Chuck", "Pink"
Ambler, Pennsylvania
Economics and History - Army
Pvt. 1,2,3; Cpl. 3; Airborne; International Relations Club 1,2; Ranger Platoon 2; Omicron Delta Epsilon Honor Fraternity in Economics; Academically Distinguished; Dean's List
Chuck came to VMI a gung-ho Army stud. After becoming Airborne and almost Ranger he is on the way for an RA. He also managed to rise to the top in the root cellar while getting his share of rack and TV time. Being in Band Co., he also managed to stay in the Haydown and All-duty Club for his four year tenure at the "I". Despite all of the bad influences of his two roommates, I have yet to see him absorb any type of spirits. Chuck was also an active member of the Pizzaria Trio with myself and "Uncle Tom". However, for some reason he never liked the P.I. So good luck to a future general or ambassador and sorry about messing up your car coming back from Longwood.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Pete Eichman
Class of 1980 - Dave Knapp, Brian Hub

Herbert Urs Fluhler
"Herbulus, Urs, and others (non-printable)"
Croton-on-Hudson, New York
Dean's List 4,3,2,1; Distinguished Academic Student 2,1; Gwathemy Scholarship; Cpl., Sgt., Fencing Team 3,2,1; RFYL; Glee Club 4,3,2,1; Society of Physics Students 4,3,2,1, (Pres. 2,1); Firefighters 3,2,1; Ski Club 2,1; Cadet Asst. Librarian; Cadet Asst. Marshall Museum Host; Mike Guthries' Bicentennial Night Club (Honorary Member); Mallory Hall Militia (XO)
Herb came to VMI with the intent of using it as a stepping stone to West Point. But then he rediscovered his enthusiasm for science and almost didn't go to 'Hudson High'.
Stubborness prevailed however, and he spent his post-rat year summer with his fellow plebes of '78. To everyones surprise Herb showed up again for his 3rd class year! Not being overly pleased with the 'Cadet Borrowing' he had found there, he returned to the 'only honest military school left in the country: VMI'. Since then it has been all up hill. Dents in the walls from beating of brains in vain attempt for comprehension; torn out hair from efforts to understand; and the inevitable 'Hyper-spaced' which ensued when the brain refused to continue functioning. All this, while the LA's were sipping cokes and watching TV in the 'X'.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - 'Snooky' Parker
Class of 1980 - Bill Judy

Lawrence M. Foltz
"Foltzie", "Glow-Head"
Winchester, Virginia
,E.E. - Armor
Riding Team 4; Cpl. 3, Timmins Society; Lacrosse 3; ROTC Scholarship 1,2,3; English Speaking Union; IEEE Club; Librarian Assistant; Ring Figure Design Committee 2;
Rolling in from the "apple capital" back in '73, Foltzie immediately began to stamp his own special brand of cadetship on the Institute. The "cool breeze" swept the biology department and into N.E.B. where even the combined efforts of St. Nick and the cast of the Labor Day Massacre couldn't put the heat to him. We know that you'll do well in the future Larry... just don't buy any more hotdogs in Williamsburg. Throughout his cadetship, the "Glow" has been one who you could depend on in time of need. His personality has been a guiding light when things to make life at the "I" more bearable. In short, Larry has been a true friend in both hard and good times in the past, and will be in future years.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Steven Hallman Brodie

Stephen Ernest Fontaine
"Steve," "Mo"
Norfolk, Virginia
English - Air Force
Cpl., 1st Sgt., 2nd Lt., Sport Parachute Club 4; Rugby 4,3; Firefighters 2,1; Trim's Bar & Grill 3; Arnold Air Society 3,2,1; (Comptroller), Glider Club 2,1 (Treas.); Museum Asst. 1; Ring Figure Camping Club; Civil War Roundtable Musket Squad 2,1; Visiting Scholar 2,1; MS Film Festival 2; Charter Member of UBAB.
Very few people have I had the opportunity to know who would buy a brand new sports car his senior year only to leave it at home setting idle in order to save money to run it. How many cadets would sacrifice 'X' checks night after night despirately saving those pennies that would someday add up to enough to rent an airplane for one hour of euphoric suspension. Well, Steve did. I could never completely understand his reasoning - only respect his will power and ability to turn pennies into dollars. Steve majored in English knowing full well it was the path of least resistance between graduating from high school and jockying a F-16. Steve played the military game well. Although there was always some combination of brass on his collar, he never allied himself with the 'grubs' or the 'rankers'. He allied himself with what he thought right. Usually he made the right decision. Viva la Bagatelle!
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Von Bashay
Class of 1980 - Josh Priest & James Poulaki

Craig Thomas Forbes
Norfolk, Virginia
Modern Languages
'VMI, in spite of its uniqueness, could not instill in him those qualities it purports to inculcate in others, for he already possessed them when he matriculated. Integrity, loyalty, justice, spirit, selfishness-all are characteristics of a man of true bearing, a man of distinction and breeding, a man who will triumph, not only materially, but ethically and spiritually. While it may have been the experience which will leave the most' lasting impressions upon him. VMI only complimented with an education that which already existed and made a better man of a man already made.

Lee Gephart Foresman
"Geppis, Gep, One-Arm, Snores, Spider Arm, Little Drac"
Lexington, Virginia
Economics - Armor
Football 4,3,2,1; Pvt. 4,3,2,1; "503S SBS"; "The Boys Club" "SOV"; The Bob Thalman Fan Club 4,3,2,1; The Crippled Handball Team 2,1; Estelle's Bar and Grill Club 3; PX Cashier 2,1; 0830 Smoke, Coke, and Joke Club.
The "Big I" has changed me in many ways, both physically and in my thinking. I have also found that the most meaningful things at VMI are the friendships you develope. My special thanks to my roommates Mike, Woody, John, and Wine, who mean more to me than anything else at this place. I also want to thank the boys of "503" and Maury. The good times are all I want to think about. So for the Saturday nights at Estelle's, parties in my room, Weekend at Mrs."G's" and my second home in Va.Beach, I shall hold a special place in my memories.
I want also to thank my parents for guiding me safely through the maze I have been through. The biggest change came this past summer when I started dating Betty. So Everyone be on the lookout for a surprising turnout.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Nathaniel "Chip" Beaman IV
Class of 1980 - Jerry Dempsey, Ken Roberts

Randal Stuart Foster
"Randy --- Long & Beautiful"
Monroe, Virginia
Economics - Artillery
Member of the IRC; Academic Stars; Deans List 3,2; Pvt. 4,3,2,1.
Randy came to VMI from somewhere in the vicinity of Amherst County, VA. He wanted to be a math major and proved he could do well academically in math. But, by his 3rd class year, he decided to switch from math to the 'Root Cellar'. It is here, in the economics dept. that he compiled an excellent record in getting for him those ever valuable academic days. You see he needed these days to achieve his secondary objective; namely becoming VMI's first commuting student. Rare was the weekend when you could find Randy on post; keeping a low profile he joined the long and beautiful club and avoided capture for 3 years until 'Buck' broke his streak. In his four years here Randy proved himself to be an outstanding student, Brother Rat, roommate, and friend. A good four years.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bill Clore
Class of 1980 - Rob Gearhart

Michael Joe Freeman
"M.J. M. Joe, Michael Joe, Mike"
Kingsport, Tennessee
Civil Engineering - Corps of Engineers
Honor Court 2, Prosecuter 1, Cpl., 1st. Sgt., 1st. Battalion Commander, Douglas C. France III Award, John Bowie Gray Award, Reserve Officer's Ass. Silver Medal D.M.S., S.A.M.E., A.S.C.E., Ring Figure '77 Comm., Airborne Dean's List, Academic Stars, Who's who among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
Mike arrived at the "I" with two goals...to get his degree in C.E. and to pick up a Yankee accent (one out of two ain't bad). Being academically distinguished and being named "Best Brother Rat" in our class went to prove what kind of guy M.J. was. Whether it was being improperly dressed in the cockpit, cursing in the guard room, carrying on in CE after a hard party night, being forced into a date with a fine looking girl then actually liking her, telling T.K. to cut the "Chit-Chat", and taking Pace red-necking along the kingsport Strip, Mike did his best to keep things interesting. We forgive him for the fact that he turned our room into Grand Central Station with all the 1st. Sgt.,, H.C., and 1st. Batt. entertainment because he was around when we needed him. Take care, Mike. We're going to miss you.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bowling Hughes
Class of 1980 - Gary Lawrence Fellows





Brian Robert Frey



Philip William Galing



Steven Michael Gallahan



Randy Steven Gates



Charles Jesse Gearhart



Ralph Hallam George



Keith Eric Gibson



Edward Bernard Glackin Jr.

Brian Robert Frey
"fri"
Virginia
Chemistry - Air Force
Rugby Club 6 Party Committee; American Chemical Society; Pre-Med Club; Young Democrats; Sir Edmund Hillary Club; Fishing Club; Tucker Crew.
Alas, from a blue & grey world of squalls & harsh ocean pressures; slippage into the green world of beaver, trout pine needles & radiating ripples.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bill Anderson
Class of 1980 - Hossein

Philip William Galing
"Snoop, Flip, Philly"
Hampton, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Infantry
ASCE 2,1; ACS 3; RDC 1; Rangers 3,2; Pvt.4, Cpl. 3, Sgt. 2, Pvt. 1; DMS; DMG Publicity Chairman for Ring Figure; AUSA 2,1.
22 August 1973 and look out VMI. Here comes Philly Galing. Armed with a stubborn determination to excell. Snoop plunged headlong into his goal of becoming an infantry officer in the US Army. A Corporal as a 3rd, a Ring and Sergeant stripes as a 2nd, then Philly, as secretary of the RDC, moved toward the ultimate goal - the VMI diploma. The greatest reward at VMI is to earn the admiration and respect of ones Brother Rats. This respect for Phil and the recognition of his true leadership ability placed him in several key positions at VMI. These positions were an outlet to his beliefs in tradition and the value of a strong Rat Line.
You are a friend, a brother rat, a fine soldier, and a true VMI man. Well, graduation, the final goal is here - now it's time to fulfill dreams. Give 'em Hell Philly!
DYKES: Class of 1974 - John Hunter
Class of 1980 - Smokey Jackson & Steve Boyer

Steven Michael Gallahan
"Steve, Chan"
Fredericksburg, Virginia
English - Air Force
Cpl., Sgt., 1st Batt. S-1; Scuba Club 3; Junior Editor *VMI Cadet* 2; Writer *VMI Cadet* 1; Chairman VMI Publications Board 1; Cadet Assistant Marshall Library 2,1; VMI Delegate to Air force Academy Assembly 2;Dean's List 1; Honors English
If anybody would have thought that Steve would make it through VMI on top, he would have been absolutely right. Steve is the true VMI cadet in every sense of the word; he excells in academics, in the military and most importantly in the Brother Rat System. His is the type of guy that is always sure of what he wants to do. When he does something, whatever it may be, he puts everything into it and does an excellent job at it.
If there is one word that can describe what I have for Steve, it would be admiration. He is the type of person that you meet only once in your life, and he has such a profound effect upon you that you never forget him.
If the present is an indication to the future, that Steve will surely achieve success in anything he attempts. Good Luck Steve in everything that you attempt in your future years.MRM
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bill Allison
Class of 1980 - Steve Roberts & Ed Elliott

Randy Steven Gates
"Gator"
Mansfield, Ohio
Economics - Armor
Monogram Club 1,2,3; Baseball 1,2,3,4;
There were many profitable and memorable experiences at the "I" - some bad ones, but far more great ones, shared with the best guys in the world. Not wanting to be left out I, too, joined the ranks of the number one club. I thank Bodeen, Grease, and Queenie for always keeping things hopping around the room and barracks. I especially thank Bodeen for teaching an inexperienced partier how to do a little partying, and also for initiating some good habits - Red Man and Skoal. Thanks Barney and Ralph for sticking around for SNI's when the other roomies deserted for football. I am very fortunate to have had professors that were always willing to spend much individual time with a student. I appreciated the understanding my parents and brothers have had these four years.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Charlie Little
Class of 1980 - Brendan Miney, Kevin Davis

Charles Jesse Gearhart
"Bear, 3.0"
Roanoke, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Corps of Engineers
Honor Court 1; Rugby 3,2,1; Commanders 4,3,2, Treas. 1; Cpl. 3, Sgt. 2, Lt. 1; ASCR 2,1; DMS; Dean's List 4,3,2,1; Academically Distinguished 3,2, Who's Who Among Students in American Universities & Colleges.
Jesse came to Mother Institute for a VMI Diploma and the title academically distinguished. The first two years were his most difficult. His rat year because of the obvious hardships of the ratline and his 3rd Class year because thirds don't have 3.0 cuts. The Bear not only reaped the benefits of the Institute, he actively participated in many aspects of VMI life. Militarily he rose to the rank of Lt. and he participated in athletics through Rugby. Because of the respect of his Brother Rats he was elcted as an Honor Court Representative, one of the most esteemed position in the Corps. If it the goal of VMI to produce well-rounded citizen-soldiers then Jess is the perfect VMI man. Well, Bear, there are bets going around that if anyone can 3.0 life, you can.
DYKES: Class of1974 - 'Snookie' Parker
Class of 1980 - Bill Schul & Glenn McCabe

Ralph Hallam George
"Rapid, Achilles"
Lakeland, Florida
Civil Engineering - Artillery
Varsity Football 4,3,2,1; Track 4,3; Iron Pumpers 4,3,2,1; Monogram Club 2,1; Co-Captain Anit-Prep Club
Most big-birds fly south for the winter except for the 'mad stork' who shed his Florida tan to dawn the pads of the gridiron. Ready at all times to drop drawers, bomb the guard room, or daze and amaze the dance floor with his inviting undulations. With the same reckless abandon he used on the field, Ralph rambled through more panties, used and abused more hearts that Mic Jagger felt inspired to compose 'Heart Breaker' for him. I have pounded some beers, done some scrapping, and lost my head over some tantalizing women. More important, I have found all my weaknesses the past 4 years. It depends on my strength if I can become the man I seek to be. I love my family, respect many of my friends, and be patient because I am still growing.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Donny, Rope, Beffo, Big Al
Class of 1980 - Tim Cox & Tom Peter Wilson

Keith Eric Gibson
Richmond, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Navy
Glee Club 4; Cpl. 3, Sgt. 2, Pvt. 1; Hop & Floor 3,2,1; ASCE 3,2,1; Firefighters 2,1; Preston Library Asst. 3,2; Museum Asst. 2,1; OGA 3; Civil War Roundtable 2,1; United Brotherhood of Alcoholic Beverages 4,3,2,1; Kilborne Hall Yachting Society 3,2,1; MS Film Festival 2; Gymnastics Club 3,1.
Like most of us, Keith arrived at the Institute that August not knowing what to expect. Unlike most of us, Keith chose to retain his independance in his thought. While those around him conformed to group opinions, Keith looked at the situations objectively and formulated opinions based on what he thought was right.
One of Keith's best qualities is his ability to express his feelings honestly and to extract honest feelings from those he converses with. Because of this ability, I have shared dreams and opinions with him that I probably would not have told to others. Various bus rides have provided an excellent psychologist's couch for our conversations. I feel that Keith's honesty and individuality of thought will provide a good basis upon which to build a road into the future and, God knows, if there's one thing a CE can do it is build roads.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Roy Hiederman
Class of 1980 - Dickey Lockridge & Steve Chase

Edward Bernard Glackin Jr.
"Steady Eddie, Fast Eddie"
Philadelphia, Penn.
Civil Engineering - Engineer
Gridiron 4,3,2,1; Cpl., ASCE, Same., ASAP, RQ, Monogram Club Airborne Ranger, Recondo! Co-Captain Football, Bullshitter.
May the road rise to meet you
May the wind be always at your back
May the sun shine warm upon your face
The rains fall soft upon your fields
And until we meet again
May God hold you in the palm of his hand..
Irish Blessing
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Larry Schaudies
Class of 1980 - John Shuman, Chal Glenn





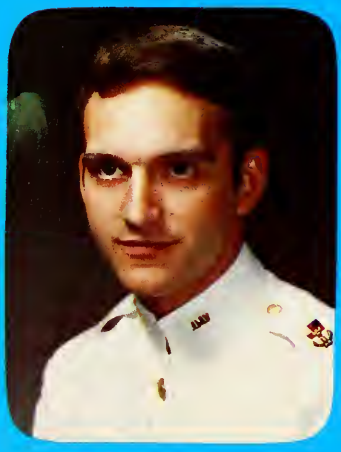
Kim Everett Glidewell



Howard Lee Grant



Richard Thomas Greene



Michael James Guthrie



Fredrick Howard Hagreen III



Mark Alan Halfacre



Clifford Carroll Hamilton II



James Walker Hamilton

Kim Everett Glidewell
"Kim, Glide, Clutch, Master"
Falls Church, Virginia
Mathematics - Armor
Swedish Honor Society Turtles; Football 4.3.2.1; Indoor Track 2.1; Dean's list 3; Pvt. 4.3.2.1.
When Bob Bush recruited Kim to go to VMI his initial reply was 'What's a VMI?' However, upon several visits he was on his way to become the first Glidewell at VMI. During the course of his cadetship there have been people and things which will affect his life after VMI. Changing his academic major from Biology to Mathematics and the friendship developed with Col. Peters and his family have and will affect his life. The coaches and football seasons have and will affect him. Most of all though, there is Terry.
Popular among his Brother Rats and respected by his teachers and friends there is little doubt that happiness and success is Kim's ultimate goal.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Patrick J. Flynn
Class of 1980 - Michael H. Moore

Howard Lee Grant
"Bo, Jenkins, Porks, Bushead, Harry Lee"
Richmond, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Air Force
Football 4.3.2.1; ASCE 4.3.2; Monogram Club 4.3.2; Private 4.3.2.1; Richmond Club; Anti-Freak Club; Air Force Special Student; Cat Man Fan Club; VMI Bulkmem; Cocke Hall Drinking and Social Club; All-Academic Team 4.3.2.1;
Howard Lee's existance at VMI has been one of prolonged struggle against such opponents as the C.E. Department, Coaching Staff, and the Military System in general. Bo's saving grace has been his "Organization" and persistance. He's a hustler in whatever he does, whether playing on the Gridiron or eating in the Messhall. Bo's academic life has been constant year in, year out, Summer, Winter, Fall, and Spring. Howard's constant physical conditioning and hygeine upkeep has allowed him to survive; weightlifting, cleansing with the proper powders and toiletries, getting the proper sleep (every free C.P.) and by eating as many proper meals as possible. So to Bo, we wish the best of luck in getting that C.E. Degree, and with a little more of the same hard work it shouldn't be long in coming.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Mike Cole
Class of 1980 - Tommy Slipek

Richard Thomas Greene
"Rick"
South Burlington, Vermont
History - Artillery
Cpl. 3; FIDO Club 4.3.2.1; Varsity Tennis 4.3.2.1; Confinement Club 4; AR 1.
I came to VMI not knowing why, and I leave wondering how come. The best I can say is that I hope to figure it all out in twenty years from now.
What is funny to me is that I hitch-hiked over 700 miles with my brother to get here, and I've done it many times since then.
I can't say VMI has been a great experience for me, but it was an experience that I shall never forget. Probably the best thing I've gotten out of my stay here at the Big I is a better understanding of myself and the ability to accept it.
What is important is not what I have done while at VMI, because that will be behind me after graduation. What is important is what I will become. My 4 years here will show its influence, I'm sure, and I'm anxious to find out.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Ed Peduto
Class of 1980 - Jim Carmichael & Terry Hall

Michael James Guthrie
"Mike"
Claymont, Delaware
Physics - Corps of Engineers
Rifle Team 4; Track 3; Civil War Roundtable 3.2.1; Society of Physics Students 4.3.2.1; New Market March 11-14 May, 1976; Ranks Held: Rat Private, Corporal (3 months), Private 3, Private 2nd, Lieutenant (1 month), Private 1,2nd Lt 1.
Being a Physics Major at the "I" has not been easy. In general I found that Physics+Military=BONE. I managed to hold rank for two very brief periods of time, and kicked off my 1st Class year with 8 weeks confinement and a busting bone. But among the big events of my cadetship, the Ratline, Ring Figure, and Graduation, I will never forget the march to New Market of 11-14 May 1976. Those of us who went stood up for the heritage and tradition of VMI in a way few have ever done, in spite of recent efforts to play down the Corp's part in the Civil War.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Chuck Collins
Class of 1980 - Mat Pheiffer & Ray Joinson

Fredrick Howard Hagreen III
"Rick, Gimp, Hannibal Head, Hey Hump"
San Francisco, California
English - Navy
First Class Representative to the Honor Court, Dean's List, Corporal, Regt Ops Sgt., Captain (Reg. S-3) Co-Captain, VMI Soccer, Soccer 4.3.2.1; John Bush Award, Timmons Society 4, English Society, 1975 Light Heavy Intra Boxing Champ, 2-Year NOTC Scholarship, Band 4.3, Who's Who Among Students in American Universities & Colleges
Hey Hump, after traveling from one end of the to the other you decided to land here at VMI and check out the 348 Hog Boys (Hartz, House, Paul, & Bob) and trouble started-beer, cards, parties, soccer & and hematoma (gimpy) knee. Then 3rd class year-Cpl. English and Navy arrive after Biology and the Army take a hit, more parties the Bro's unite with Horn, Dale, and Dug, camping, and F T X. After NROTC summer Cramp '75 came Second Class year and with Ring Figure in the 150$ Hotel Suite, Greensboro with the boys Reg Sgt. and 2-year NROTC scholarship. Finally first class year and all the work and fun that goes with that run for the finish line and all the rewards at that point. Bro, there's VMI, let's hope that the future is as bright as the past 4 years have been.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Chuck Ward, Wayne Worman, Carl Leibech
Class of 1980 - Mahmood Karqampour

Mark Alan Halfacre
"Panther, Pink Panther"
Norfolk, Virginia
Electrical Engineering - Army
Dean's list 4.3.2.1; Academically Distinguished 3.2.1; Amateur Radio Club (Nichols Bar & Grill); Pres. IEEE; Labor Day Massacre - Near Miss Club; Operation Paul Bunyan, Orienteering Team; RUCS; Sports Parachute Club; Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
Fools of all sorts came to the Institute in August of 1973 and Mark was among the more foolish. His rat year consisted of shaving cream fights and culminated with such acts as getting drunk before a physics test. Upon moving in with the 'Man' he brought with him a 'Mole' and a 'Chinque', both of which were used in the dark predawn hours as a race track and wrestling mat. "Alas poor Becky went down the tubes only to be replaced by 2 Karens, who in their time went down their respective tubes before Mark could put those tubes to use. Our second class year consisted of drudgery with a new man whose name was synonymous with a regurgitative noise. Jana appeared and now he lives for the weekends while trying to decide about RPI or U.Va.

Clifford Carroll Hamilton II
"Kip, Sleeping Beauty??, Wolly Bugger"
Alexandria, Virginia
English - Armor
Pvt.4.3.2.1; Cpl. 3; Soccer 4.3.2.1; Glee Club 1; *Cadet* 1; Student Grotto 3.2.1; Monogram Club 3.2.1; English Society 2.1; Flight Instruction Program 1; Regimental Auto Mechanic 1; Member '77 5 year Club; Gim Co. CO 2; Operation Facelift '77 1; CB Club 2.1; HD & AD Club 2.1.
Breaker 19...Kip came to VMI to be an engineer. After a year and a half he saw a glimmer of light emerging from SSH and turned to the 'path of least resistance'. Because of this change, coupled with his stint as Gim Co. Cmdr. last semester, we will enjoy rooming together once again in the fantasy of a 5th year at the 'I'. Life with this guy is so easy-whenever you want him - first check his rack, then the soccer field, then look under his car. If you haven't found him, he has probably taken a weekend!
Don't worry Tammy, he's going to make a great pilot. When he's with you he's flying high anyway, and with so much high altitude experience, he can't miss in a chopper at treetops!Kip is a great friend, and I wish him and Tamah the best of everything, always.

Ralph '77

DYKES: Class of 1974 - Lane Toomey
Class of 1980 - Mitch Alexander & Hugh Fain

James Walker Hamilton
"J.W."
Paterson, New Jersey
History - Infantry
Private 4.3.1; Civil War Roundtable, Karate Club, Student Grotto.
Born a Yank with dreams of being a "Reb", and by-God he succeeded. All he craved were tommy-hawks, knives, and jungle fatigues. If he's not running yelling "Ranger!" throughout barracks, he'll be found in the rack with his corncob pipe fired up, reading a war novel while listening to the Ballad of A Green Beret. As a rat, Jim found it tempting to cut class also finding 10-6-30. Yet being a "Rebelling Yank," This didn't stop him. Every Saturday nite, he would perform a Reconmission, feasting with his BR's on beer and pizza within the limits of his room. Despite war novels, and jungle fatigues, J. W. was a peace loving man that wouldn't harm a fly. Jim never thought of himself, only of his BR's. We the class of '77 are fortunate. On behalf of Room 167 best wishes in all that you do. Good luck! Bud, Elliot, Stan.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - John Savage
Class of 1980 - John Caplice





James Roger Hanrahan



William Craig Harlow



Randall Wynn Hartley



Robert Brian Hartzell



Gary Jackson Haste



Jerry Thomas Haste



Larry Wayne Heim



Stephen Douglas Heinrich

James Roger Hanrahan
"Studrahan, Hype, Jimmie"
Alexandria, Virginia
Economics-Infantry
Pvt 4, Cpl 3, Pvt 2, Pvt 1; Varsity Swim Team 4.3.2.1; Monogram Club 3.2.1; Outstanding PSA Cadet 75; Scuba Club; Runner-up Tournament Bowling 3; RFYL; 2 Minute CCQ Club; Rum-Truckers; PK.
On August 21, 1974, my father drove me to the VMI for a preview. I was unimpressed, in fact, after seeing the prison-like structure came second thoughts of ever matriculating. But the next day, when time came, the matriculation book was signed and four years that followed passed quickly. After each year though, it was habit to complain about returning and each year Dad used to listen, grin and say "you'll make it". Thank goodness he was right. Everyone at VMI was helpful. Four years under Coach Joyce and the swim team was both rewarding and inspirational. The professors were always eager to help with academic problems. Everywhere people were willing to help. Thanks for everything Mom and Dad, you've done so very much. It's been four years to remember, from the first football game and a crew cut to graduation. Thanks, Linda, Mike, you're next. PK too.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bert Zinkand
Class of 1980 - Steven Hanmer, Chris Oden

William Craig Harlow
"Bill"
Chappaqua, New York
History - Infantry
Private 4.3.2.1; Fencing Team 4.3.2.1; Civil War Roundtable 3.2.1; V.M.I. Theatre 4.3; Airborne, Dean's List; Academically Distinguished 2; T.V. Major 4.3.2.1; Firefighter 3.2.1; Paramount Club.
Childe William to the dark tower came . . .and the legend of sleepy Harlow came along with him. Even in the face of near death at the hands of Calwell and Newton, Bill staunchly set out to prove that rats can have a good time here and survive. Yes sports fans, a Keydet can press up the hill of science with an epee in one hand and a copy of T.V. Guide in the other . . .he may even attain academic stardom. In spite of the best layed plans of the M.S. department, and those naughty Spanish instructors Bill will not only enter the Army but with all probability will do well. How can a connoisseur of such fine things as the krag, Rhinegold, and Merle Haggard records fail to complete his mission. After all, he is . . . Meaner than a junkyard dog, grrr . . .or does that deserve a double-grrr?
DYKES: Class of 1980 - Frank Leech

Randall Wynn Hartley
"Mo, Hart, Chin"
Front Royal, Virginia
History - Air Force
Pvt., Cpl., Sgt., 2nd ; Deans List 3.2.1; Academically Distinguished 1 Arnold Air Society 4.3.2; VMI Student Grotto 3, Cadet Assistant Library 2.1; Outstanding AFROTC Cadet 2, Reserve Officers Association 2.1; Ghetto Relief District 2.1.
After four years I still pause to ask myself, "Was it worthwhile? Was there a better way?" I'm in the knowledge that in most instances, I have matured and grown in a manner so as to compensate for the sacrifices that this institute has exacted for the VMI diploma. As I leave here today, there is a sad note in that I must finally part from the guys that I have grown to love and call brother. The memories of my associations with the greatest men in the world are ones I'll cherish forever. Thanks to Mom and Dad for always being there and a word of gratitude to a very special person without who's love and understanding I never could have made it.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bill Allison
Class of 1980 - Robert White, Dennis McCarty

Robert Brian Hartzell
"Harts"
Springfield, Massachusetts
History - Air Force
Pvt. 4; Cpl. 3; Sgt. 2; Pvt. 1; Dean's list 2; US Army Airborne School, Varsity Soccer 4.3.2; Advanced Rat Training 4, Student Gratto 4.3; Sport Parachute Team; Vice Pres. 2; Scuba Club 2.1; Soaring Club 2.1; Intramural Soccer 4.3..2; RFYL; Ski Club 3.2.1; Timmons Music Society 4.3; Regimental Band 4.3.2.1; Arnold Air Society; Cadet waiters; Ast. Head Lejune Hall Receptionist; Third Class Finance Committee Chairman; AFROTC National Sojourner's Award 2
Hailing from the Springfield Mass Vincent Black Shadow Factory Team "Harts" came down the coast kicking up a trail of dust and left some doubts as to where it would settle. A Jr. AFROTC stud in high school "Harts" felt that he knew the true essence of the 'I' only to find out that he lost it when Band Company signed him.
He quickly learned the "do's" and "don'ts" by realizing that watering the courtyard grass is frowned upon. If he wasn't doing the 12 oz. curl, or climbing on cars cruising at 60 m.p.h., he contemplated about Cebbie. Setting his sights on the ultimate whether it be in academics or falling out of an airplane at 7000 ft. "Harts" will attain that which he strives for.
"La vida es sueno, y los suenos suenos son"
Calderon de la Barca
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bruce Boswell
Class of 1980 - Doug Mund, Murrell Stinnett

Gary Jackson Haste
Virginia Beach, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Engineers
Private 4.3.2.1; Dean's List; Academically Distinguished, Rugby Club 2.1; Hop & Floor, ASCE 4.3.2.1; SAME 2.1; SAME Award for 'Outstanding Junior Engineering Student 1977'
Gary came to the 'I' without knowing what excitement was in store for him here. His easy going ways caused him to have an abundance of friends which made his stay here more enjoyable. His academic days (and his red pickup truck) helped the weeks go quickly by getting him back to Va. Beach as often as possible. Then there were the weekends when he and Jerry loaded the back of the truck with people to go to rugby matches and Corps trips. But there were also the times when he wondered why he hadn't gone to Va. Tech.
But looking back over his years at VMI, even though he didn't always enjoy them, and maybe wouldn't do it over again knowing what it was like, he's glad he did do it and even more so that it's almost over.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Michael J. Coleman
Class of 1980 - George W. Snyder

Jerry Thomas Haste
"Jerry, J.T."
Virginia Beach, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Army
Pvt., 4.3.2.1; Rugby Club 2.1; A.S.C.E. 4.3.2.1; S.A.M.E. 2.1; Dean's List; Academically Distinguished Hop + Floor Committee 3.2.1; Preston Library Assistant 2.1.
I really didn't get to know Jerry very well until our third class year. It was then that I found out how good of a brother rat he was. We had a hard time studying together because whenever the group got together it seemed that more B.S. got done than studying. It didn't bother him though, he got on the Dean's List and then Academic Stars. With all his free time he acquired, he hopped into his pickup truck and headed home to Va. Beach. Not much could keep him here on weekends or make him go to classes. I feel as though I've gained a great friend and a true "Brother Rat" in the full sense of the word.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Phil Parker
Class of 1980 - Steven "Hutch" Hutching
Class of 1978 - Bobby Kirby

Larry Wayne Heim
"Heimburger, The Burger"
Frederick, Maryland
Civil Engineer - Engineering
Football 3, Karate Club 1,3
VMI lured Larry away from parents and friends, the life he knew to an unknown future. Civil Engineering, his chosen field, brought Larry to the end of his rat year with good marks. His better judgement prevailed over the summer and took Larry away from the "I" to U.Va. Ah! what a life. Permanent haydown, girls abounding, and still his C.E. courses. The good life got to him as it took him only a semester to come home to momma "I". As he decended from Northern Va. to VMI so did his grades when he moved into the imortal 322. Along with his grades came demerits and constant verbal abuse. So "Heimburger" was reborn. Regaining his composure, he fought both grades and demerits and won. But he could not shake "Zee-HeimBurger." An so he remains, forever in the hearts of 126 as Zee-Heimburger.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Mark Warron Hays
Class of 1980 - Richard Smith, Kenneth E. Copeland Jr.

Stephen Douglas Heinrich
"Trigger Happy, Heine, Hun"
Litchfield Park, Arizona
Biology - Infantry
Cpl., Sgt., 2nd Lt.; Cross Country 4; Young Republicans 4.3.2.1; Advanced Rat Training 4; RFYL 3.1; PSA Jogging 2; Karate Club 3.2; Pre-Med Society 2; VP 1; Militaria Society 3.2.1; Operation Paul Bunyan
'Lurchfielder enrolls at VMI' read the August '73 front page headlines of *The Westslider.* Since graduation from Tolleson Union (or was it Augha Fruita High?) Steve has endured the hardships of 'Hungry Hill', blind date blues with 'Bozo', massacre and mutiliation of his mascot mouse, and a variety of violent verbal vulgarity. Hairborne Heinrich survived 'Summer Cramp '76' to become the ruthless, ramrod, ranker he is today. A real stud! Heine had stars in his eyes since matriculation, and on his sleeves since his 2nd Class year. As a Biology major, he is well on his way to becoming a master of malpractice (i.e. Doctor), and has developed a passion for mutating fruit flies.
Heine will be successful because everything he does is either illegible, illiterate, illogical or illmannered. He is well prepared to take the hypocrit's oath. Good Luck Dr. Headstrong!
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Mike Foley
Class of 1980 - Bill Finnegan





John Ransom Hobbs Jr.



William Frank Holzgrefe Jr.



Michael James Horn



Robert Joseph Houser



Richard Clell Howell



James Lawrence Hugar



Sidney Ames Huguenin III



Richard Joseph Humenuck

John Ransom Hobbs Jr.
"Coconuts. Johnba. Hollywood"
Norfolk. Virginia
History - Armor
Football 4.3.2.1; Monogram Club 4.3.2.1; Ghetto 3.2.1; Pvt. 4.3.2.1; Cocke Hall Warriors; Vice- Pres. Groovers of America; RDC 1; Estelles Bar & Grill Club.
We've gained alot of knowledge about life from the simple aspects to the more complex ones. We've had many barriers placed in our paths to progress, but we've hurdled each one in stride. I say we, because of everything I've gained, the most important to me is the friendship that has developed with a great bunch of guys. Even now as I'm writing my door is kicked open and a discreet little voice sounds out - Hobbs, you ain't worth a S▬▬. Oh Well, you know how it is!! I wish the best to everyone at VMI, my roommates - Woody, Crank, Gep and Wine; who I know are glad that Sundays only come once a week. Thanks to my family for encouragement and to Susan; who makes it all worthwhile. Later Boys and remember to take it to the limit one more time.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Tom Patykula
Class of 1980 - Joe Robinson & Tom Cook

William Frank Holzgrefe Jr.
"Harpo"
Richmond. Virginia
Electrical Engineer - Engineers
Hop & Floor; Scuba Club; Rat Training 1; IEEE; The Number 1 Club; Nichols Bar & Grill; Camptown 76; Pvt. 4.3.2.1; Paramount Inn 4.3.2.1; Easter's U. Va '74,'75,'76,'77.
Harpo came to VMI with a girl in his arms and a party on his mind. Well, the girl left soon but the party was still there. Harpo moved his party from Richmond to the Paramount and finally to Nichols Bar & Grill, more commonly known as the Engineering Building. Harpo and the Labor Day Group engineered themselves into a big one and suddenly our boy found himself without a girl and, more tragically, without a party.
Under the gun of 'ONE' our hero became possessed with a death wish. He started jumping out of airplanes, diving into dark bodies of water in a stupid looking rubber suit. He isn't dead yet - the hero lives on! Harpo was always there with a good word and a great attitude (on life, Not VMI). We will all miss him after graduation.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Donnie Ross
Class of 1980 - Charles Hansrote

Michael James Horn
"Horney"
Gilbertsville, Pa.
Modern Language - Infantry
Sport Parachute Club 4.3.2.1; Scuba Club 3.2.1; Rat Training 4.3.2.1; Bro's 3.2.1; SOV 1; Armed Forces Club 4.3.2; Recondo; Cpl, Pvt, Sgt, Pvt, Lt.; Aggressor 2.3;
It's taken four years of hard work to make it all the way, but I know it was worth it. I often thought of leaving and ask myself why I was staying. I still don't know. I've learned many things; some from books, but most without. Coupled with the knowledge I've accumulated in 21 years I think I'm ready to leave my formal schooling and enter the world.
He always tells me I'm the only Carnie kid to go to VMI and that's why I'm proud he sent me. I think I've learned a little here that you can't pick upon the lot.
It's impossible to explain how much the Bro's mean to me. Rick, Robert, and Bob have all taught me something and this I appreciate greatly. Doug and Dale, well, they came in out of the cold and I'm glad.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bob Johnson
Class of 1980 - John Hirsch; Don Briggs

Robert Joseph Houser
"Bro House, Buddy House, House Bob, Robert."
Rockbridge Baths, Virginia
Biology-Navy
Pvt. 4, Cpl. 3, Sgt. 2, Cpt. 1; Honor Court Representative, 2; Honor Court Vice-President 1; Posit Committee 3.1; Arnold Air Society 4.3; S-5 staff 3.2; Cadet Assistant 2.1; Aggressor 2.1; The Bros 3.2.1; The Hog Boys of 348, 4.
Brother House, he came to the 348 Hog Boys (Hartz, Rick, Paul, Bob) as a farm boy from Rockbridge Baths and Pow-beer runs, card games, and numerous infringements of the Blue Book, (so Mom, blame us for his condition today, not Robert). Third Class Year- more parties in new barracks with three Hog Boys turned Bros (with Mike, Dale and Doug) corporals, and a change from the air to the sea. After NROTC Summer Camp '75- a two year scholarship and sergeant stripes to start the Second Class year off right. Ring Figure with everyone- what more can I say except Greensboro that spring with boys. Finally '77- four stripes, a dyke, FCP, and more good times and hard work for the sheeps skin. That was VMI Brother House, the boys loved you for it. TAKE CARE!
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Joseph W. McCoskrie
Class of 1980 - William Terry Stoneman

Richard Clell Howell
"Dickie Dunk'n, Rich"
Radford, Virginia
Civil Engineering-Air Force
Arnold Air Society-4.3.2.1; Fencing-3.2; Cpl.-3; 2nd Lt.-1; Regimental Drum Major-1; Madison Klan-3.2.1; The Association of Ex-AFROTC Pilot Candidates.-1.
I came to VMI with an intense desire to change what and who I had been, into what I could become. Christmas '73 it happened, the event that would help me to start my life again; no past, only a future to build and fulfill, I became engaged to Dianne. Since then, she's shared with me both the good and the bad times experienced by both myself and the Corps alike. But having her has made even the worst of it all seem worthwhile.
I feel I've gained from the "Big I" what most men can only hope for; a clearer view of myself, self-pride, a desire to improve and produce, and most of all, the integrity and honor of the VMI MAN. Only now do I begin to truly understand what Gen. Jackson meant when he said, "You May Be Whatever You Resolve To Be".
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bert Graham
Class of 1980 - Tracy Rash

James Lawrence Hugar
"Jim; Huggie; Gar"
Driftwood, Pa.
Civil Engineering - Army
Cpl.; Sgt.; Lt.; Rugby 4.3,Fire Fighters 2.1; Newman Club 2.1; ASCE 3.2.1; ASME 2.1
The endless hours of toil over all those courses, no more long nights in N.E.B.—it was a far off dream, but now it's here. The parting of deep friendships, it has all happened before with Collie, Steve, and Rick, but now it will happen again with us all. We will always have those memories of rugby matches, the dykes, and all those memories both good and bad of our four year stay.
Home, the mountains, hunting, hicking, just being outdoors, friends, family, Carol all these I have learned to appreciate much more and for this and this alone it has all been worth it.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Robert C. Cunningham
Class of 1980 - Tim M. Hodges

Sidney Ames Huguenin III
"Sid, Hugie, Squid"
Hagerstown, Maryland
Economics - Marines
VMI Student Grotto 4.3.2; Deans List 3; F. Co. Rat Executive Officer 2; Civil War Roundtable 2.1; Sgt. 2; PIC 4.3.2.1.
Oooo-Rah! Sidney Ames Huguenin was a strack Keydet. Let it be known that he is a good man. Sid never failed to give his civilian shirts a 'military tuck' and always kept a good spitshine on his topsiders. He moderately indulged in social drinking and always had a good eye for the ladies. He keeps his Marine web belt spotless and believes in the old addage that if you yell at someone enough they'll understand.
In all probability, someday Sid will be a general in the club that's 'looking for a few good men'. They're hard to find.
DYKES: Class of 1974 -
Class of 1980 - Brian Lake

Richard Joseph Humenuck
"Rick, Hummer, Hickory Nut"
Clifton, N.J.
Civil Engineering - Navy
Honor Court Representative; March to New Market Award; Military Order of the World Wars Award; American Society of Civil Engineers; Society of American Military Engineers; Society of Physics Students; Armed Forces Club; Young Republicans; Spirit Committee-TROU TECH!; Civil War Roundtable and Musket Squad; Regimental Color Guard- Kentucky Derby Festival; Bicentennial Color Guard-Commander; J. V. Basketball; J. V. Football; Corporal; Sergeant; Captain.
My cadetship has been filled with many tremendous, memorable experiences; but none would have been so important had they not been shared with my Brother Rats. For this, I humbly thank God, my Mother and Father, relatives and friends, and people that have helped me along the way. With the pleasure of having the greatest BR's, Dykes and Keydets; it has made the VMI experience all worthwhile.

"Like Columbus in the Olden days
We must gather all our courage
Sail our ships out on the open sea
Cast away our fears, and all the years
Will come and go,
And take us up, always up
We may never pass this way again."

—Seals and Crofts

DYKES: Class of 1974 - Dimitti G. "Greek" Pavlou
Class of 1980 - Lawrence R. Hupertz

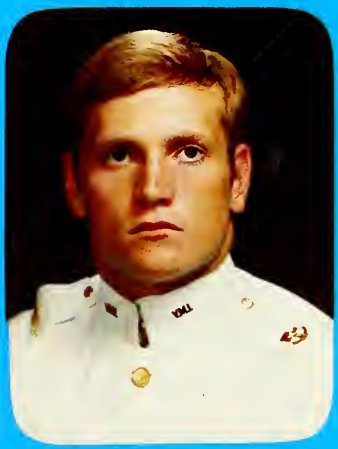




Mark Olen Hunt



William Thomas Hupp



Eric Dean Hutchings



Kenneth Emory Hutton



John David Johnson



Richard Scott Joslyn



George James Kalaris



Kerry William Keach

Mark Olen Hunt
"MOH, Hunt-Mo"
Oxon Hill, Maryland
Civil Engineering - Air Force
Pvt. 4, Cpl. 3, Reg. Color Sgt. 2; Bn S-5; American Society of Civil Engineers; Society of American Military Engineerings; S-5 Public Relations/ Recruiting Staff; Bicentennial Color Guard; Presidential Sports Award-RFYL-SFYL; Young Republicans; VMI Soaring Club; Varsity Rifle Team.
If only one word could be used to describe life with Mark. It would be "off beat". Mark was an avid member of the "3.0 no go Club" following in the footsteps of his dyke. Mark continually fell prey to the "Rack-monster" during daylight hours, and became a "night stalker" after taps. He also found some excuse to hang around VMI during the summer months of each year. Mo came to VMI with an Air Force career in mind and followed the military portion of VMI to the letter. He may be a "Zoomie" without wings (so far anyway), but he has evolved to become a gun-ho Air Force C. E. Huntmo very closely conforms to the ideals inscribed on the "Parapet" on one hand, on the other, he is remarkably individualistic, but always devoted to VMI.
Good Luck!!
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Robert Wesley Haskell
Class of 1980 - Micheal Edward Burch

William Thomas Hupp
"Billy, Hood"
Richmond, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Engineers
Private 4,3,2,1; ASCE 4,3,2,1; Rugby 3,2,1; Treasurer VMI Rugby 1; JV Basketball 4; Ring Figure Committee 2.
Billy came to VMI with full knowledge of what was ahead of him. As an alumni's son he had options to go to other colleges but without parential aid. Never one to let small mistakes prohibit the natural occurance of events, Billy merely prohibited prolonged meditation at VMI and did his bopping at the nearby 'honey hostels'. The weekends Billy spent at VMI were occupied with Rugby, basketball, golf and girls.
Billy is the type of person you can depend on in a pinch. He always has a helping hand and a comment to make. The next president of Wheat Securities owes it all to his start towards success in room 211. This member of the NEB Pizza Club will always be remembered by Mark, Wes, and the Wop. He'll never let you down because when the times are tough, Billy tends to excell.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Wilson Johnson
Class of 1980 - Bill McCoy & David Wheeler

Eric Dean Hutchings
"Big Jake, Catman, Hutch, Captain America"
Columbus, Ohio
History - Infantry
Football 1,2,3,4; Track 2,3,4; Private 1,4; Corporal 3; Sergeant 2; Football Captain 1; Fellowship of Christian Athletes; Drug Council; Cocke Hall Strength and Weight Lifting Club; Pervert Court; Conduct Probation; Catman Fan Club (Chairman)
I want to thank my parents for instilling in my personality the characteristics needed to take the rigors of V.M.I. and also for their constant love and support. I want to thank God for watching over me the many times I did wild and crazy things for surely if I had been caught for half the things I've done I would have never made it. Special thanks goes to Coach King, Colonel Barrett and Major Ginn; who although they probably didn't notice, I've learned something from.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Steve Louder, Dan Barr, Tom Patykula, Will Ludt, Ted Dickerson
Class of 1980 - Ben (Superfly) Judge, Bill (Cochise) Shademan

Kenneth Emory Hutton
"Ken, K. E."
Marion, Va.
Biology - Corps of Engineers
Cpl-3; Pvt. 4,3,2,1; Rat Company X-O; Advanced Rat Training 4; Run for your life 200 miler club; Society of American Military engineers; Rat Disciplinary Committee; RECONDO; Dean's List; Civil War Round Table; Lodge Member 3; Hokie Raider 1;
What can you say about old Ken? After 3 million hours of studying for Biology courses (you were our room's only survivor of the Bio-Root department), and after 4 billion sheets of computer paper notes, Ken is ready to depart "Mother I" for the world of Professional School, with luck dental school. And if he ever gets to drill as many teeth as he's 'drilled' rats in his RDC career, the world is in for a lot of fillings. He never let anyone in the Sallyport 37 Club forget when amnesty night rolled around from his 3rd class year on in Ken was a champion matchmaker (ask M. Joe), but also the victim of many Pace "I told you so's". And none of us will ever forget how he lost his watch on FTX at Fayette-Nam. Take care B.R.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Sammy Rafcliffe
Class of 1980 - Ed Bell

John David Johnson
"J. D., Slim"
Tulsa, Oklahoma
History-Infantry
Cpl. 3, 1st Sgt. 2, Regimental Executive Officer 1, Art 4, Rangers 3,2,1; A.U.S.A. 2,1; College Republicans 1, Ranger Platoon leader 1.
John came to V.M.I. from out of the dust and heat of Oklahoma looking for a military career. His goal of becoming a career officer became evident when he was made Cpl. and went to Quantico for six weeks. Upon returning to the big "I", John became one of the few Cpls. not to be rotated. Now as first Sgt. and with a ring in sight, a ring figure date was all that was needed for a successful second class year. Then Cheryl descended upon the valley. As the new Regimental X-Zero, John was set to become Airborne-Ranger. A broken ankle on his fourth jump shattered J. D.'s dreams, but he emerged all the more determined. Now John leaves us with a V.M.I. diploma in one hand and Cheryl in the other—break a leg Slim.
DYKES: Class of 1974-Bob Trost
Class of 1980-Frank Gravener, Pat Griffin

Richard Scott Joslyn
"Rick"
Arlington, Virginia
Chemistry - Air Force
Pvt., Cpl., Sgt., 2nd Lt.; Air Force Scholarship; Civil War Roundtable; VMI Theater; Firefighters; ACS, 1977 Ring Figure Magazine; Hop and Floor; Mauriel.
Quiet, mild-mannered Rick came to VMI with one motto in mind. 'It is better to be silent and seem stupid then to speak and convince everybody of it.' And with this he has slipped through 4 years of VMI hardly ever noticed. His muskets proved to be much louder (and bothersome), especially to his room-mates. Tricky Rick always seemed to have some 'Good Deal' hidden up his sleeve, exploiting the VMI Theater, Hop and Floor, and the Bicentennial Color Guard for all they were worth.
But Rick is sneaky. He's going to steal silently in somewhere to the right place at the right time, and when nobody is looking, he'll shake the world (and probably come out ahead). In the VMI system and a disciple of its history. Rick will never forget his experiences here or the friends he has made.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bailey B. Hurley
CLASS OF 1980 - Ed Carter, Wai Chang

George James Kalaris
"Greek, Neptune, Hunch"
Silver Springs, Maryland
History - Armor
G-7 Society 4,3,2,1; Cpl. 3?; Pres. Young Democrats 1; Deans List 2; Deans Other list 4; The No Jive 5 Club; Armed Forces Club 4.
Well my concrete mistress our affair is finally over and I'll be glad to take the reputation I've earned for having consorted with you and leave you to your vanity. Hey Frog, what do you want to do when you leave here? I want to be Senator from N.H. or President. . . . pour me another scotch, what about you Greek?
Me, I want to work in the foreign service, maybe be an Ambassador. According to Pinky though, we'll probably end up as plain clothes cops in Arlington.
A Greek a comedy version of Starsky and Hutch.
Ya Mean 'Stumpy and Hunch' chasing meter violations in a 68 VW
A LEGEND IS BORN!
So long Eric. Your the only part of this place I'll miss as for you dear Institute, 'It's been real.'
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Gary L. Trinkle
Class of 1980 - Anthony T. Zoetis and Philip J. Altizer

Kerry William Keach
"Keachmo, Keach-one each, Chipmunk, Virg"
Wildwood, Illinois
History - Infantry
Cpl. 3, 1st Sgt. 2, Cpt. (A Co. Commander) 1; Ranger Plt 3,2, (XO)1; Glee Club 1; AUSA 2, (Vice-Pres.) 1; Dean's List Academic Stars 2,1; History Honors Program 2,1; AOT 2 and Fort Dix; Super-Summer '76 at Beautiful Fort Bragg; DMS; Cpt. Feel Good Fan Club; US Army 4-year Scholarship; Pres. of the PX Club; Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
Kerry came to VMI with a 4 year Army ROTC Scholarship and the will to succeed. In the past 4 years, he has proven himself worthy of this award and through military and scholastic excellence he has won great success. But Kerry's aspirations will not cease upon graduation from VMI, since he will probably continue his education and obtain a Law Degree.
Life at VMI hasn't been all work though. There have been many 'good times' too, whether it was running the block to White's or just a movie and 'dinner' uptown, or even ARMY SUMMER CAMP TRAINING. You can be sure that Kerry made the best of it. Kerry will always have my and his Brother Rat's respect and admiration for his unending patience and understanding. I wish him luck and God's speed in all his future endeavors.
MEB
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Steve Weaver
Class of 1980 - Steve Roberts & Ed Elliot

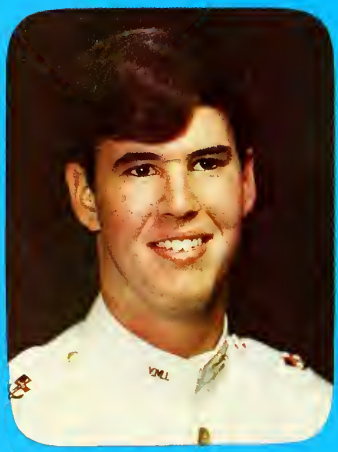




David George Kelly



William Stephen Kelly



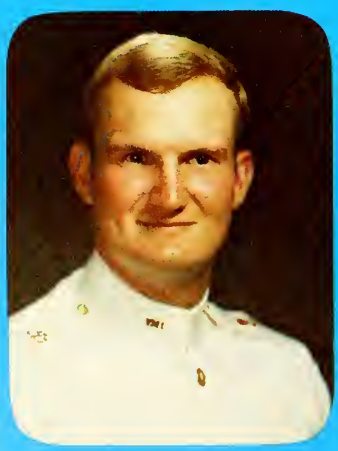
Stuart Poole Kinniburgh



Kevin Raymond Knotts



Dennis Edward Kocik



Michael Korolevich



Keith Kowadlo



John Edwin Krovic

David George Kelly
"Nick, Kell"
Monongahele, Pennsylvania
Electrical Engineer - Corps of Engineers
Vice-President and Treasurer of the VMI Sport Parachute Club 2,1; IEEE 2,1; Paramount Inn 4,3,2,1; Number One Club 1; Nichols Bar & Grill; Survivor of the Labor Day Massacre
Kelly came to the big "I" with an overwhelming desire for rank, good grades, and good friends. Well, 1 out of 3 is about the right odds for a VMI Cadet. Barely surviving his courses and the bluebook, Kell fought his way through three fun filled summers at VMI and it's students union, the Paramount. In his unending struggle to bring more social life to VMI Kell and the rest of the EE department had the famous birthday party in Nichols Party Building. Unfortunately, Elliot Ness Whittaker decided to throw the Labor Day Massacre that same day. This unfortunate setback didn't stop our man however! He went off diving through the clouds at 150 mph and even managing to stay at the big "I". Dave's great sense of humor in the face of Number One's and Col. Nichols have been an inspiration to us all. Good luck Kell!
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Herby Harlow
Class of 1980 - Mathew Ott, Jeffrey Songco

William Stephen Kelly
"Woodtick #2, Hayroll, Mo, Tick"
Pulaski, Virginia
Economics - Navy
XO-VMI Firefighters; Vice-Chairman of the Student Grotto; The Boys Club; 503 SS BS; SOV; Cpl., Sgt., 1st Lt.; Rat Company Commander; XO-Bravo Co.
Following the advice of Uncle Shotgun and Kelly tradition, this fair speciman followed two brothers to the Big 'I' and arrived with an awful knowledge of what was to come. 'Last minute' Kelly hit Bravo Company by mistake, but quickly established a reputation and a file of unbelievable crash and burn letters, thus becoming our class's first and only double ace. Becoming a VMI ham in every sense was not hard for the Roll because he liked the place so much he came back each summer for Summer School . . . . . What else do you say about a brother rat whose always there when you need him for what you need him for? On the high seas or in high finance the world is richer for having you B.R. Best wishes and good luck.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Nathaniel 'Chip' Beaman IV
Class of 1980 - Thomas R. Kelly Jr.
Martin O. Bernett

Stuart Poole Kinniburgh
"Stu"
Alexandria, Virginia
English - Armor
Swim Team 4,3; Fencing Team 2; Run For Your Rack Club 4,3,2,1; Timmins Music Society 4,3, treasurer 2; Glee Club 4,3, Cadet Director 3,1; VMIBQ 1; SPFD 3,2; Cpl. 3.
Stuart came to VMI with aspirations of being a career Marine, and somehow upon graduation, wants to be a professional singer. Ah-well, VMI affects people in strange and wonderful ways. Never one much for haircuts, we didn't see Stuart at DRC very often, in fact, give a guy a voice and a guitar and he seems to disappear altogether. Maybe not altogether - he did show up at Hollins, Virginia Intermont, Hood, Mary Baldwin, Mary Washington, Sweet Briar, and, ah-yes, Southern Seminary. Stuart stopped roaming for a while after meeting someone extra special at Southern Sem., but due to well . . . circumstances . . . moved on again before graduation. Hey - Good luck Stu - keep on singing, and make it to the top!
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Tom Cunningham
Class of 1980 - Robbie Winn, Gurth Geiglein

Kevin Raymond Knotts
"Barney, KR"
Ashland, Virginia
Economics - Armor
Cpl., Sgt., Pvt.; Firefighters 3; Pervert Corner 3, Ghetto 2; Sally Port 1; VMI Cadet (Rat Typist); Omicron Delta Epsilon; DMS; Army Scholarship; Lejeune Hall Cadet Assistant.
And then there was Barney!! Keven joined the Sallyport 37 Club his last year and proved to be more than just a great roommate, but a true B.R. in every sense. Picking up the good habits of M. Joe, influenced by the 'let it slide' habits of B.P., Kevin did more than his share of socializing in the room . . . he helped clean out all of the food boxes, got addicted to peanuts and chocolate raisins, kept everyone honest on lunchtime and afternoon runs, and kept everyone feeling guilty for not putting 10 hours of studying nightly. But Hell, Barney loosened up a lot . . . from the one punch knockout king one year to the happy go lucky first class sport with his fancy 'Z'. With all your success in the Root Cellar and your determination, you're bound to go far Barney. Good luck, sport.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Herbert Hesselton Flather III
Class of 1980 - Phill Lee Raeburn

Dennis Edward Kocik
Des Plaines, Illinois
English - Armor
Corporal 3; V.M.I. Cavalry Squadron 4; Young Republicans Club 3,2; Tankers Platoon 2; Rifle Team 3; Run for Your Rack Club 4,3; Honors Rack 2,1; President, Sweet Briar Country Club 1
Dennis came to the Institute with only one short-termed interest in mind - to make it on his own without anyone's help . . . And he did just that. With him, he brought his indomitable will, restless impatience, and his unrelenting belief in his destiny to become someone great, and to accomplish something equally as memorable, as it would be lasting, in this world. With this as his Quest, and the "Impossible Dream" as his song, he strove to get through this place if only to begin his life in earnest. His second class year, he finally met the woman of his dreams in Phyllis, and soon they became the perfect couple to walk the path of this life together- ". . . and the world will be better for this; that one man, scorned and covered with scars, still strove with his last ounce of courage, to reach that unreachable star."
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Michael R. Tucker
Class of 1980 - Michael P. Janac; Frank Hilton

Michael Korolevich
"Mike, Polack, Bearski"
Waldwick, New Jersey
History - Infantry
Pvt. 4, Pvt./Cpl. 3, Sgt. 2, 2nd Lt. 1; Hop & Floor 3,2,1; 3 yr. Amry ROTC Scholarship; AUSA 2,1; 1st Class Section Editor - 1977 Bomb; Football (Hamburger Helper) 4; DMS; Non-recipient of the HCRB (Recondo Badge, Highly Coveted, one each); Summer Camp Graduate; Honorary Irishman; Coffee Club 3,2,1; Co-Editor - 'The Bullet' (Rat Bible); Johnnies 3,2,1; Colonel New Jersey Militia.
This gentle, Jersey giant is indisputably one of the great personalities of the century. Ask any military collector or just someone in his platoon will do. Who else could lead a platoon at Fort Drag with only his sweet, lovable voice and insignificant bulk at 4:30 am? What other mind than this could use a Machine Gun so effectively without ever firing a shot? There are few indeed who can even approach his alcohol consumption! His greatness has appeared to us. In Seriousness folks, Mike is the real Brother Rat whom we can trust out life with. I'll never be worried in a tight spot if he's around to help. Remember us, Mike, and keep those 26 pound, 7.62mm Machine Clubs Swinging! MHB
'. . . lose your dreams and you will lose your mind . . .'
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Mike 'Rockhead' Fisher
Class of 1980 - Jeff Dickerson & Lewis Toms

Keith Kowadlo
"Lo, Wally, Kowala Bear, Waldo"
Scotch Plains, New Jersey
Civil Engineer - Corps of Engineers
Pvt.; A.S.C.E. 4,3,2,1; S.A.M.E. 2,1; Firefighters 2,1; O.G.A.; Cadet Sportswriter; Civil War Roundtable; Intramural Boxing; Rugby 4,3,2,1-Match Secretary 2,1- Tri-Captain 1; Rugby Party Quarter Racing Champ; P.X. Coffee Club.
A Brother Rat who comes from behind to win the Rugby Quarter Race, who has Bessie staying with him all 4 years without Puzzle Palace's knowledge, whose luck with the Southern Women is only paralleled by the Big Red Football Team, who must beam down his intergalactical dyke every morning, who never once passed the chance for a mudslide, even if there wasn't any mud, and who would soak up a bone to keep this B.R. from losing his privileges while losing his own at the same time. He is truly an individual I'll be proud to call my brother for life, and VMI will be proud to claim as an alumnus.
Keith thanks for the good times of the post and let us not forget how to have good times in the future.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Frank Joyce
Class of 1980 - Paul Bryant, George Walsh

John Edwin Krovic
"The Kro"
Steelton, Pennsylvania
Economics - Armor
Basketball 4,3,2,1; Corporal 3.
What's the word? Most times the incentive to overcome prevails no matter what the obstacle. Instantaneously the attitude to rebel gains priority, only to be defeated again and again and . . .! However, defeat is determined by the total consensus and not the individual. Arriving as a "person", I likewise leave, my individualism secure and my beliefs strong whils't enduring the turmoils hitherto. Blessed are those greenclads who find joy and security in this hellish tabernacle by ruling puppeted adolescents. Unjustified and unexplainable, my institution by choice will stand; while many will pass unrenounced, gratified and bewildered only to seek an end. During my stay I have come to *know* but a select few, and they have made it more bearable, but I have also met many.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Steve Wolf
Class of 1980 - Richard Henry, Doug Conyers





Stephen Edward Kuklin



Erich Louis Kurre



Michael Donohue Lafferty



John Fleming Lamond



Julian Albert Lassiter Jr.



Melvin Vance Lassiter III



Kimber Lynn Latsha



William Dewey Lauerman III

Steven Edward Kuklin
"Steve, Chuckles, Kukla, Fran & Ollie"
New York, New York
History-Armor
Fencing 4, Sport Parachute 4, Militaria Society-Secretary, Vice President, President 4.3.2.1; Student Grotto 2.1; Young Republicans 4, Pvt., 4.3.2.1; Rat Training 2.1; Cadet Battery 3, Jackson's Battery 3, Tanker Platoon 2.1.
Steve has been one of those Brother Rats that can come and go and be little known except to those that have direct contact with him. For those that have not known Steve as well as I have, they have missed someone really worth knowing, a true Brother Rat. He has been a real friend, always reaady to lend a hand, to share a drink, or to just join in the fun. For those of you who are looking for Steve, you'll find him in that Armor Platoon Leader's tank that has the V.M.I. sticker on the back.
From an ol' Southern boy to one of the nicest Yankees I know, "I hope you get all you want out of life, Steve, you deserve it."
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Karl D. Liebrich
Class of 1980 - Pete Spiker

Erich Louis Kurre
"Kidd, 'Ric, Red Neck"
Richmond, Virginia
History - Infantry
Chairman VMI Student Grotto; Young Republicans; Rat Rappeling; International Relations Club; Private 4.3.2.1; Troop Guidon-bearer; DMS; Firefighters; Class of '77 VPI Raid Team; 144 Ghetto Club; Host of the 498 Sweat Party Club. (See DeSalvo; T.) There *is* nothing like that Brother Rat Spirit that enabled 'the Godfather' and the Redneck' to persevere through a one man 'Space Odyssey' known to the rest of us as 'Lebo'. What can you say about a roommate who let you call him by the wrong name for a whole 2 months, the 3rd Class year was filled with the excitement of driving unauthorized cars on post, entering Jackson Arch at 2328 hours in 'civies', caving rips, jaunts to Bean's Bottom, and finally putting a deposit on our rings. The last 2 years brought us our rings, a raid to VPI and many thoughts of the future.
To our dykes we leave the words of Stonewall: 'The Institute shall be heard from today'. This thought is deeper than one would think. The Institute is 'heard from' every time a cadet graduates from the "I" and becomes a success.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Frank Kuttas
Class of 1980 - Jim Lunsford & Dan Allen

Michael Donohue Lafferty
"Mick, Mike, HULK, Mickey, Laff"
New Milford, New Jersey
History - Artillery
Pvt. 4, Cpl. 3, Sgt./Regt. Color Sgt./Colonel, NJ Militia 2; 2 Lt. (Rat Company Co.) 1; BOMB STAFF: Activities Editor 2, Editor-in-Chief 1; Editor, 1977 *BULLET*; Newman Club 4.3.2.1; Civil War Roundtable 3, (President 2), 1; Publications Board 1; Non-recipient of the 'Highly Coveted Recondo Badge'; Coffee Club 3.2.1; Who's Who in American College Hayracks; PSA Handbal, Intramural Boxing, R.F.Y.L.
To: The Lord of the Irish
1. See that Mickey, upon his demise, be buried standing up, clutching a bottle of Irish whiskey.
2. The reasons for this are:
   A. Devoting himself to anyone needing help.
   B. Giving timely & wise advice to all who ask.
   C. Always saying what he means & meaning what he says.

PS Remember the Galileo & Summer Cramps '76. If I had to pick a brother, I couldn't make a better choice.
-Polack-
You and I will someday meet in Valhalla and we will sing sweet songs of old triumphs and young women. Yet, I'm afraid my friend, your song will be louder and sweeter. Erin go Braugh, Amigo - Maddog
I would like to say that my 4 years at VMI and the remaining years of my life are devoted to Mom & Dad, who have given me more love and patience than anyone could ever hope for.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Sam 'The Buffalo' Turner
Class of 1979 - Sam Murphy
Class of 1980 - Steve (Jogger) Klinar
Sean (Monkey) Gallagher

John Fleming Lamond
"Johnny, John-boy, Bonehead, Lemming"
Clifton, Virginia
Biology - Artillary
Pvt. 4.2.1, Cpl. 3; O.G.A.; Lacrosse 3; Rugby 2.1; Swimming 4; Civil War Roundtable 2; Pep. Band 4; Bomb Staff; Cadet Staff; Moonlight Drummer 1; 400 Demo Club; S.P.C.A. Shelter; Record Club of America. Four years ago John was coaxed into staying at VMI- and he is *still* mad at his sister. As his cadetship progressed, so did his demerit record and list of friends. John's practical jokes ranged anywhere from sole in the bowl to keeping his refrigerator in the Commandant's office. No roommate or sentinel was ever safe unless John-boy was asleep. Who else would give 1/2 a pizza and his bed to the barracks dog.
John boy has the unique ability of racking-out anywhere; from desktops, parking lots, stoops and occasionally his hay, one could hear the immortal words, "I'm awake, I'm awake".(ZZZZZZ)
John is a BR. He would give you the shirt off his back if he could remember where he put it. John's dedication to the things he enjoyed- rugby, food, women and studies- is a characteristic that all his friends will remember.
Now, if he could only figure a way out of the Army . . . .
DYKES: Class of 1974 - John Bellamere
Class of 1980 - Aaron Bush, Dan Conn, Jim Joustra

Julian Albert Lassiter Jr.
"Byrte"
Chesapeake, Virginia
Biology - Air Force
Swim team 3 years; Track team 3 years; Pvt. 1st class; Nice guy 4.3.2.1
I have roomed with and have grown to know Byrte up, better than most of his brother rats. To sum Byrte up, he is the "Brother Rat Personified"; there is nothing that Byrte would not do for a fellow cadet and to take the shirt off his back is not too uncommon.
Byrte is a quiet guy. His personality is gentle to the point where he will apologize even if he is right in order to keep peace and harmony.
Byrte has struggled through the Biology Department for 4 years. Although his academic achievements are not outstanding, Byrte has never given up trying to reach his goal, to become a Dentist. I know that if he doesn't succeed now, he eventually will because dental school is Byrte's Rainbow.
I'm closing; I have one thing to say Byrte: "Can you ever forget that girl with those clean legs?"
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Ronald S. Vigneault
Class of 1980 - Ben James

Melvin Vance Lassiter III
"Lassie, Lass, Mel"
Richmond, Virginia
English—Army
Bomb 4, Head of Darkroom 3, College Republicans 3.4; After Taps Bridge Club 3, Rack for your life 4.3.1; Pvt. 4, 3.2.1.
Mel came to V.M.I. with more military know-how than all of B. Company, but remained a Pvt. through his stay. He had a run in with the Biology Dept., then the English Dept., and finally contributed to what became a year's vacation. Mel might not have been here in body but his spirit remained. Remember the trip to Tech? Glad you were driving! Having been reunited with Lynette and back in school to stay, all looks good for the guy who would do anything a B.R. asked. Well, almost anything. Summer School was fun with all those softball games. We've had some good times pal. Good luck and take care; you'll do well, if you can just learn not to stay up all night developing pictures.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bill Haught
Class of 1980 - Greg Rost, David Humphrey

Kimber Lynn Latsha
"Kim"
Dornsife, Pennsylvania
History - Infantry
Distinguished Dean's List; Pres. Class of '77; Wrestling 4.3.2.1; Co-Capt. 2.1; Fellowship of Christian Athletes; posit Committee; History Honors Program ; Cpl. 3, Sgt. 2, 1st Lt. Bn S-1 1; William Brent Bell Outstanding Cadet Award 3.2; Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
Four years ago a confused, red-haired, freckle-faced boy, barely able to shave came to VMI. It is now years later and he still doesn't have to shave. Whatever goal Kim has put his mind to he has accomplished with perfection be it academics, athletics, or military. Kim's greatest attribute aside from academic stars, Capt. of the Wrestling Team, 2nd Bn S-1, Pres. of his class, potential Rhodes Scholar, is his ability to lend an ear to his BR. With Kim's laurels, he should run for Miss America. Kim's brother, Peep, are closer than any 2 brothers that I have ever seen. My advice to you Kim, whatever you do, remember: "It's your own fault." To my parents: Thank you so much for your encouragement, understanding, and love during the past 4 years. Finally, good luck Peep and remember this: "I told you so!"
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Richard Michael 'Mike' Stark
Class of 1980 - Robert Miller, Kirk Cole

William Dewey Lauerman III
"Bill, Dew, Beer Bill, Jake"
Memphis, Tennessee
Civil Engineering - Marine Corps
Private; Tweets 4.3.2.1; Commanders Jazz Band 2.1; Hop and Floor 3.2.1; Track 2; Student Grotto 4.3; el Numero Uno Club 2; Firefighter 2.
Bill's asset is his human enthusiasm for just about anything that catches his imagination-of course, by chance there is often no 'serious' matter to catch his imagination. His zest for the moment, combined with his open honesty to himself and his friends, pushes us towards the zaney and irreverant better half of our lives.
Thanks, Peace, Willie.
This night has slipped me by
-Another night alone
Not minding these old familiar walls
We are all too well acquainted.
They are respectful in making no reply
Taking in - holding within
Tears and laughter and songs I have sung
Feelings and emotions I must release.
Confiding in them who kept me so well
Never changing - always giving
Their physical support as a refuge
A room reflecting - all that I am.
Patty
Thanks Mom and Dad, and the convenient one! You know who you are!
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Charley Banning
Class of 1980 - Kenneth Baybutt





Gregory Michael Leck



Walter Warren Lemaster, Jr.



Eric J. Letendre



William Timothy Liles



Michael Edward Lindsay



Rodney Jay Lynn



Christopher Lee Manno



Robert Lee Manteuffel

Gregory Michael Leck
"Greg, Mike"
Waldorf, Maryland
Civil Engineering - Marines
Pvt. 4,3,2,1; Student Grotto 4; Armed Forces Club 4; Pervert Corner 4; Civil War Roundtable 3; PLC Unit Tng. Permit 3,2; Room 225 Gang 2; Physics Late-night BS Roundtable 4,3,2; The Dean's Other List; Wednesday & Saturday Afternoon Gun & Hiking Club; Summer School Inmate 3,2,1; 5th Stoop Tower Crew 4,3,2.
VMI first appealed to me when I learned of the distinguished relationship enjoyed by VMI and the Marine Corps. The ideals which embraced me when I first entered Jackson Arch still carry their same values. The academics have introduced new responsibilities and have helped to broaden my scope of possible future careers while assisting the military and athletic traditions in molding a boy into a man. VMI has forced me to realize that my own efforts will be the catalysts for my future success. The particular friendships which have developed will always hold me in a reflective mood and Paul, Rick, Mike, Mike, Larry and Andy will be able to recognize these thoughts best. Special gratitude and love goes to my family for their time, sincerity, guidance and patience to make it all worthwhile.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Rob Fulks
Class of 1980 - Mo Ardaki & Al Berenbrok

Walter Warren Lemaster, Jr.
"Bud, Ramblin Keydet, Lee, Spiz."
Hampton, Virginia
History-Artillery
Armed Forces Club, Grotto Club, Glee Club, Soaring Club, Orienteering Club, Track team Manager, Corporal, Sergeant, First Class Private, member of operation Face Lift, Special Olympics- CIC.
We must forgive him! He couldn't help loosing his retainer at USMA's officers club, finding it later while digging through West Point's garbage dump. Wow, he thought a West Point cadet had stolen it right from underneath his pallet. To explain Bud's sleeping habits to the class. He felt it necessary to sleep under a camouflage blanket, because he had dreams of being attacked by footlong, communist cockroaches. There are many in the class of '77 who didn't understand "The Master" nor appreciated his concern. For those who didn't know it, it was Bud's hard work and sleepless nights which enabled the Special Olympics to become a reality for 2 years. Also take a guess who organized and ran most of the VMI track meets? That's right. You guessed it. From room 167. Best Wishes Forever. Jim, Elliot, Stan.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Mike Davis
Class of 1980 - Dennis Quinn, Ed Wittig

Eric J. Letendre
"Stumpie, Frog"
Manchester, New Hampshire
History/Modern Languages - Artillery
Pvt. 4, Cpl. 3, Sgt. 2, 2nd Lt. 1; Rugby 4,3; International Students Society 2; Morning Sing Cleaning Detail 4,3,2,1; Dean's List 4,3,2,1; Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
'Classis Statements from a Cadetship' or 'My Four Years in a Quandry'.
Rat year - 'I thought the 'M' in VMI stood for *Medical*'.
3rd Class year - 'I always wanted to be a trappist monk anyhow'.
2nd Class year - 'I must be the only person with a Ring Figure date that has a terminal broken ankle.'
1st Class year - 'Do you know where I can find a nice, inexpensive law school?'
So long George. Don't think it hasn't been fun, because it hasn't.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - John J. Crawley II
Class of 1980 - Robert Dalessandro

William Timothy Liles
"Tim, Bear, Sparky, W.T."
Richmond, Virginia
Biology-Navy
Pvt. 4; Cpl. 3; Sgt. 2; 1st Lt. 1; F Co. Executive Officer; Rat Co. Commander; Member, Ring Figure Camping Club 2,1; Preston Library Assistant 3,2,1; Civil War Roundtable 2,1; Firefighters, 2,1; Pre-Med. Society 1; Trim's Bar and Grill 3; Glee Club 4; Trim's Weekend Club 1; Kilbourne Hall Yachting Society 3,2,1; Malvern Hill Relic Cub 2,1.
Tim's adjustment to the VMI system was not all that difficult because he had obviously been instilled with the attributes of Honor, Integrity, and Concern for others in his home life before he arrived here. The years have brought us close to one another and it was rewarding for me to witness his evolution as a VMI cadet. For it was Timothy, while in the face of much adversity, who always had the drive to push for that "little extra" that he deemed necessary to achieve his high standards.
The time has come for Tim to answer a new challenge, and it is with sadness that we part, for I have grown to admire this man. The open and new road beckons the "Bear" and with the company of that one special girl, I'm certain that the road will be bright, God speed, my brother.
Hart
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Ted Dickerson
Class of 1980 - Ted Helmick, Hal Snyder

Michael Edward Lindsay
"Mike, Chump, Sky King"
Hot Springs, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Corps of Engineers
J.V. Basketball 2,4; S.A.M.E. 1,2; A.S.C.E. 1,2; Ghetto Grubb 1,2,3; Rat Training CO 1; Pvt. 1,4; Cpl. 3; Sgt. 2; D.M.S.
What can you say about a guy who, when he's not snagging B-Balls from the rafters of Cocke Hall, spends his time in N.E.B. and his rack. Sky King came to V.M.I. with visions of basketball glory; however, thse visions turned to becoming a civil engineer. The road was rough; however, Mike accepted the challenge and accomplished his goal. The chump still managed to keep up his athletic abilities being competitive in all sports. Mike has been an asset to our class, particularly in helping the Rats develop into the type of class we wanted. Coming from the mountains of Bath County, Mike didn't have far to go for those home cooked meals. Lucy has stuck with him through thick and thin and has proven to be his mainstay. Best of luck to them. Chump, let's go play some hoop.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Vernon Williams
Class of 1980 - Michael Molhoek

Rodney Jay Lynn
"Rod, Hot Rod"
Marion, Indiana
Civil Engineering-Engineers
Society of American Military Engineers- Vice President; American Society of Civil Engineers; Civil Engineering Lab Assistant; Fire Fighters; Rifle Team; Cadet Battery; Swim for Your Life and Run for Your Life; Bicentennial Color Guard; Pvt. Cpl. Master Sergeant, First Class Pvt.
There are so many things that can be said about the VMI experience. Only those of us who have entered the arches of barracks to leave four years later know its total uniqueness. I can only say that I am fortunate to have been part of it. I am leaving VMI with much more than I came with, most of which I have my Brother Rats to thank. However, my experiences at VMI would not have been possible had it not been for the sacrifices made by my Mother and Father whom I will be forever thankful.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Paul H. Van Doren
Class of 1980 - Hubert G. Schneider III

Christopher Lee Manno
"Manhole, Sir Wop"
Springfield, Virginia
English - Air Force
OGA Pres. 1; Pub. Board 1; Ring Figure Book Editor; Newspaper 4,3,2,1; Editorial Editor 1; Hop Committee 4,3,2,1; College Rep. 4,3,2,1; Vice Pres. 3; Posit Committee 2,1; Cross Country 4,1; Sport Parachute Club 4,3,2,1; Dean's Other List; FIP; Who's Nobody; Gold Coast; Nitwit; Moose Club; Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
After spending most of his rat year in the Commandant's office, in the GC room and on confinement, Chris did a complete about face and became probably the best known man in barracks, and yes, even one of the most respected. Never one to be accused of studying too much, he made his way from Sem to Madison, to Mary Baldwin, to Sweetbriar, to Longwood, and to Hollins, and he's not done yet. He's tried his hand at being Macho with his skydiving, but he finally came to his senses and settled on Cross Country as his sport. In spite of everything, he received that coveted Air Force assignment, so he can fulfill his lifelong dream of a career of flying and jumping out of the airplane he himself is driving. His memory and cartoons will haunt the stoops for years to come. God help the Air Force.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Roland Lazenby
Class of 1980 - Paul Perry & Tim Novack

Robert Lee Manteuffel
"Toif, Toofel, Manifold, Elf, Devilman"
Hays, Kansas
Mathematics - Armor
Football Manager 4; Fencing Team 4,3,2,1; English Speaking Union 3,2; Glee Club 3,2,1 - Treas. 2, Pres. 1; Writer for the Cadet 4; Airborne; DMS; Academics Stars 3,2,1; Cpl. 3, Sgt. 2, 2nd Lt. 1; Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
Rosy cheeks ablaze, this slightly spaced citizen type was dumped out at Limits gate for reasons know but to God and whoever else it was that wanted to get rid of him. Taken under the wing of Kilcullen, Bob managed to emerge from his rat year half-sane anyway. Setting his compass and counting his paces he struck out in the direction of high goals with a 'What, me spaced?' look on his face and an unpredictable sense of humor with his habitually perplexed countenance. Somewhere along the way he became a 'fair specimen' of something or other and a master achiever of many things. Life with you has been a rare experience Bro, remember these times and know that we shall miss you till we meet again.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Donald J. Kilcullen
Class of 1980 - Brian C. Oneill & Michael C. Smith





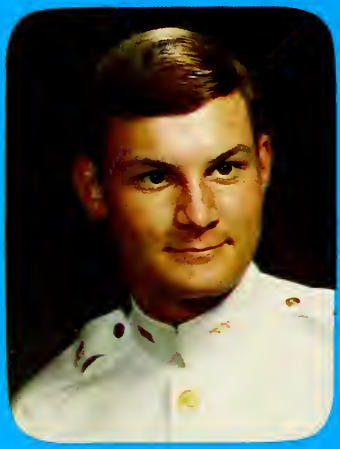
John James Marshall



Lawrence Arthur Martin III



William Harlan Martin



Harold Arthur Martin, Jr.



Bland Massie, Jr.



Lawrence Newbill Mauck III



Jeffrey Alan McCracken



Colin Seawell McKenzie

John James Marshall
"JJ, F. Lee Joker, Marvin."
Columbus, Georgia
Civil Engineering - Corps of Engineers.
"Larry"
Pvt. 1,2,3,4; War Eagle 3; ASCE 1,2,3; All Pro 2,3; The Corner 4; P.C. 1,2,3; Beaver 1; 500 Club; Super Summer 74 - ?; Bahama Dreamer/ Financial Weeper; God!! The only one to drive when the gas is low and the cooler is full. A history maker who will go down in the books as the only one to ever go to BRC with a shirt for pants and a smile on his . . . . He got caught at simple acts which made him look foolish . . . . but got away with the All - Amerian antics which made him a genius.
Farewell to the "Joker". The whole East Coast was touched by the jetsetter who spent so much on a trip to the Bahamas without ever getting past Irby's desk. To the guy that has spent more time at VMI during the summer than the regular year, that's gotten into more trouble, and has made so many a laugh. I'll truly remember you for all your antics. Thanks to the bottomless (?) wallet!!
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Gus Elliott w/(Bob, Sarv, Fole, and Hall)
Class of 1980 - Jay Openshaw

Lawrence Arthur Martin III
"Larry"
Rocky Hill, Connecticut
History - Armor
Corporal 3; Private 4,2,1; Rugby 4,3; Young Republicans 4; Glee Club 4; Tanker Platoon 2; Number One Club 2; Cheerleaders 1; Captain Taylor Fan Club 2???; B.N.O.L. Club 4,3,2,1; F.I.D.O. Club, 4,3,2,1.
Larry entered VMI four long years ago, months and months of confinement ago and endless PT's ago. A cool Connecticut Yankee in Col. Buchanan's court, he has maintained his golden northern streak during his stay here. Cadet Martin, L.A.: as his name appeared on many a special report, was a most persevering cadet. After numerous attempts by Capt. Taylor and his associates to convince Larry to go to the University of Connecticut, he finally settled down to business at hand graduation. Being a member of the VMI Cheerleaders, Larry got to work with the foxes as well as the rats.
But no matter how busy he was he always had time for a midnight breakfast at White's.
Don't forget the good times Larry: Daytona Beach, Howard Johnson's Shower Parties, White's Truck Stop, Cadet Martin, L.A.; Maintaining a car in Rockbridge County; See me, W. B., "That damn car of his!"
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Drumroll Please !!
Class of 1980 - David Gleason

William Harlan Martin
"Bill, Willie, Redord, J.B."
Boulder, Colorado
English - Infantry
English Dept. Cadet Asst.; Cadet Asst. VMI Museum; Firefighters; Copy Editor of The Bomb 2; Wrestling 4,1; Fencing 2,1; Glee Club 4,3,2,1; IRC 3,2; Color Sgt. 2; Master Sgt. 2; 1st Bn S-5.
"We have as much right as the next person to our private thoughts about the story we are relating; and we would here hazard the surmise that we would never have overstepped so far the limits originally fixed for our stay if to our simple soul there might have been vouchsafed, out of the depth of our time, and reasonably satisfying explanation of the meaning and purpose of man's life."
Thos. Mann
'Two roads converged in a wood, and I -
I took the one less traveled by,
and that has made all of the difference.'
Robert Frost
I wish to thank my father, and mother, brothers, sister and Bonnie for there infinite patience, love, encouragement and belief in me.
DYKES Class of 1974 - Bill Minor
Class of 1980 - Doug Gaines, Gerry Koehler, & Ed Lugo

Harold Arthur Marvin, Jr.
"Marvo, Hal"
Springfield, Virginia
Math-Air Force
Arnold Air Society 4,3,2,1; Comptroller and Vice Commander; Firefighters 3,2; VMI Grotto 4; Glee Club 2; OGA 1; Military Order of World War 4; Pvt. 4; Cpl. 3; Pvt. 2,1.
There are many ways VMI affects the lives of cadets. Unfortunately, many are bad-ethically and morally. Thanks to my family and religion I was able to ward off those bad affects. I received further help by meeting some very fine people-Bob Devens, Shelton Rhodes, and Carmen Corvasce to name a few. I am proud to have known these men.
Two words about the class of '77. The Best. Some more words about the class of '77. By being in this class, living under the VMI system, I gained pride, friendship, of a lasting nature, and something that will benefit me no end in the "real" world-an aggressive style of thought.
There is one other person I would like to introduce to the world. She's in the other picture. World meet Monica Stephanie McAlister. Ow Wow!
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Mark Levine
Class of 1980 - Forrest Marion, Frank Arena

Bland Massie, Jr.
"Scooter"
Fort Valley, Georgia
History--- Air Force
Pvt. 4,2,1; Cpl. 3; Football 2,1; Baseball 4; CADET staff 4,3; Marshall Museum Cadet Assistant 3,2,1--Cadet in Charge 2,1; Hop Escorts 2,1--Head Escort 1; F.C.A.; Part-time "Moe the Kangaroo"; D.A.C. 2,1; O.R.C.; Firefighter; S.M.L. 4-Man Cliff Diving Team; Ghetto; English Speaking Union; A.F. Special Students Club; "Georgia Peach" --forever!
"Two roads diverged in a wood . . . ,"
One leading to the University of Georgia, with it's wine, women and song; the other to V.M.I. with it's "good deals", Saturday classes and confinement.
The V.M.I. system can be harsh and unrelenting. Many times I have asked myself, as all Cadets do, "Why did I come here?" and even more puzzling, "Why do I stay?"
One learns things here which no other school can teach. And if there is any truth that a man can be measured by the quality of his friends, V.M.I. has awarded me a rich experience. For these reasons one leaves V.M.I. with mixed emotions. In a sense one must leave a part of himself at V.M.I. forever.
For those who finish V.M.I., "Yours is the Earth and Everything that's in it, And which is more-- you'll be a (V.M.I.) Man, my son!"
". . . and I-- I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference."
DYKES: Class of 1974 - John Pate
Class of 1980 - Dennis Jacobs, Rocky Glass.

Lawrence Newbill Mauck III
"Newby"
Richmond, Virginia
History - Air Force, Special Student
Football; Big Dip; Sir Edmund Hillary Club; Cowboy Club R.D.C.
When we first met Newby we knew he had a real problem. We met him by accident and he's been one ever since. After a sorry Rat year, "Fatty", "Dog", and "Ron" helped him socially and with school by oysters on the wall, a 1.7 GPA, broken windows, and 85 demerits. The second class year consisted mainly of carrying the drunken "Dog" back to barracks and a pestering Rat named Doug. "Dog" and Newby were the main attraction of All Star wrestling. Who would have thought that a 165 lbs. weakling could intimidate a 250 lbs. ex-football player. Known to all as "No *$¢% @" due to the many wild tales of his past history, Newby entered his first class year on the R.D.C. and with the hope of finally getting out of this hole. I want to thank my parents, Henry McKenna, Becky, Chessie, Kitty, and Becky for getting me out of this place .
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Scotty Lowell
Class of 1980 - Tim Dugan, Bill Brown

Jeffrey Alan McCracken
"Crack, Cracker, Stud"
Goldtown, West Virginia
Civil Engineering - Corps of Engineers
Society of American Military Engineers 2,1; Amerian Society of Civil Engineers 4,3,2,1; Orienteering Club 1; Cpl. 3, Sgt. 2; 1st Lt.-2nd Bn. S-4; Bigot Bde.; Who's Who among Students in American Universities & Colleges.
Jeff came to us from the hills of West Virginia determined to become the best cadet i n history, but also remain the Country Boy he had always been. He didn't turn out to be the greatest cadet in history, but he did quite well both academically and militarily. However, no-one can dispute the fact that this ole country boy remained just that. His great love for hunting and Country Music coupled with a conservative attitude that would make George Wallace look like Abby Hoffman has long been a source of amazement to his B.R.'s. An uncommonly low opinion of females along with his love of bloodshed has done nothing to decrease this amazement. But, Jeff's Christianity prevailed above all and he ain't such a bad "potlicker" after all. (Shoot for the stars, Maybe you'll hit the moon.)
DYKES: Class of 1974 - William E. Allison
Class of 1980 - John D. Blasser, Clay C. Conoly

Colin Seawell McKenzie
"Mac"
Fairfax, Virginia
Dean's List 4,3,2,1; Distinguished Academic Stuent 4,3,2,1; Young Republican; Operation Paul Bunyon (almost); ROCS; Pres. Pre-Med Society; Orienteering Team; Rugby; RFYL; Honorary member in good standing of the Grouchy-Grumpy Bad Disposition Club; Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
Mac-the Black Knight of the Dark Ages, born at midnight in the middle of Hell with the disposition of the Devil himself. Ruler of the Black Forest (Biology Building) and feared by all.
Mac came to VMI to become a doctor, and after many nights of studying, success is at hand. All those late hours studying have warped our minds. Since Mac studied super-late, he became super warped!. As a result the last 3 years have been totally insane. We've fought our roommates, wiped out each other with cologne at 4 am (the room stank for weeks) and lived with a style all our own. What can one say about a guy who was once called an 'insufferable bastard' by his ROTC scholarship advisor; a guy who would stop at nothing to win. Man, we had one hell of a good time!
DYKES: Class of 1974 - George Van Laethem
Class of 1980 - Andy Brown & Rob Conger





Robert Lewis McQueen



Michael Richard Meise



Thomas Michael Mihalik



Stephen Timothy Mishkofski



Timothy Allen Mitchell



John Ward Moore



Kerry John Mullin



Jeffrey Mark Munsey

Robert Lewis McQueen
Lakeland, Florida
History, Armor
Football 4,3,2,1; Baseball 4; Corporal 3; Monogram Club 4,3,2;
I came to VMI not knowing what I'd be getting myself into for the next four years which were filled with some of the craziest times of my life. As a bewildered rat I began to make friends whom would help carry me through number one penalties, fire extinguishing expeditions, and trips to Greensboro in the Blue Bomber. A mob that consisted of Bodine, Grease, Wooz, Float, Double Wide, and John could be seen at the Cellar, the Stone House, Tucker Street, or anyplace there was wine, women, and song. A summer with Bodine and Hobbs at the Stone House was definitely a break between our Sophomore and Junior years. The Country Club helped round out our fourth and final year. We have all been through good and bad experiences which hopefully has prepared us for what we are about to be confronted with outside the walls of VMI.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Blade Thomas
Class of 1980 - Mark McLean

Michael Richard Meise
"Mike"
Smith Mountain Lake, Virginia
History-Armor
First Cpl, Mst. Sgt., Pvt. Cadet Waiter 3,2, Head Cdt. Waiter 1, Cdt. Marshall Library 2,1, Tanker's Platoon 2, Rat Training Cadre 3, Airborne, Dean's List 2.
Mike was able to cope with VMI life as a rat in an outstanding manner. His experience at Staunton Military Academy probably aided his efforts that made him a first cpl. and later a Mst. Sgt. The thing that stands out in Mike's character is his ability to decide what he wants to do and his never ending drive to achieve that goal. On the lighter side of cadet life, getting down to party, there was never a dull moment with Mike. He was always in the middle of things with a big smile. The thing that perpetuates that respect is Mike Meise as a person and a close friend. I hope that God will richly bless your journey through life. SMG
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bob Braren
Class of 1980 - Earl Bears

Thomas Michael Mihalik
"Moose, Big Tom"
Loveland, Ohio
Civil Engineering - Engineer
Varsity Football 4,3,2,1; Varsity Baseball 4,3,2,1; JV Basketball 4; Newmann Club 2; Monogram Club 4,3,2,1; ASCE 3,2,1; Cpl. 3; Pvt. 4,2,1.
Tom quickly became known as a Yank of a different breed! Football began and all as well . . . then classes began - 'Aww- no troubles' and Tom was off to the Library - a CE - always returning to bed by taps! Tom grew quickly and quietly as a 'Rat'! - playing Major College Football and achieving good grades. His third class year things weren't so quiet. Corporal stripes fell from his collar - specials came to 258 along with notes 'You have been Boned' Buck! And the silent voice grew loud 'Well — — — Ya then' Tom's frankness and honesty about matters kept status slips on his desk.- Yes the Yank became a Rebel at heart . . . and rebelled at almost everything. After finding Cali; Sem looked a new meaning to Tom. Tom gave the best and got the best from the Big 'I', 4 years well done!
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Graham Undercoffer
Class of 1980 - Walter Bellemy and Bill Tiedemann

Stephen Timothy Miskofski
"Kowalski,"
Lynnhaven, Virginia
English - Infantry
Pvt. 4,3,2,1; Football 4,3; Rugby 3,2,1; PE 400 Club 1; WLUR 3; Minor in Mathematics 4,3,2,1; VMI CADET, Editor in Chief; Frank J. Frosh Award; Sounding Brass; English Society President; Infantry 37 out of 37; Slaughterhouse five 3,2,1; Democrat 3, Student Grotto.
'Who is this Mishkofski? He's not like other cadets . . .'
--Buck.
The enigmatic member of Slaughterhouse Five; no one knows what to make of our Kowalski. He speaks a different language from the rest of us; he sees things differently; his mind operates according to a system of logic foreign to ours. But he eats with the boys; drinks, sleeps, and makes merry . . . what else can you ask for?
Tim came to VMI with a will to DO, and he has. He is a fanatic about living. To both of us he has been alternately an inspiration and a puzzle. He has always been our friend. Tim added a new dimension to our lives; ours will not be the last. His writing touches the soul of humanity, such talent is not long overlooked. Good Luck, Timmy. And remember the good times.
--Mike and Jack
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Cliff Biram
Class of 1980 - Dennis Milsten & Kent Lovejoy

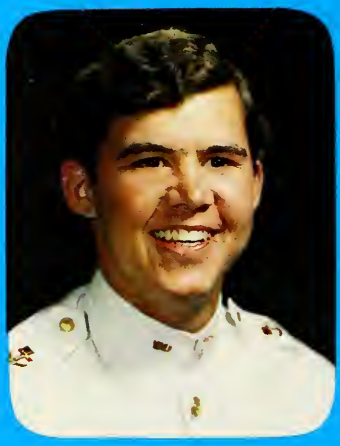
Timothy Allen Mitchell
"Tim"
Powhatan, Virginia
History-Infantry
Pvt. 4, Cpl. Pvt. 3, Pvt. Sgt. 2, First Class Private; Karate Club 3; Ranger Platoon 2; RFYL 2; Rugby 1; Demerits 52-4, 83-3, 113-2, ?-1
To write Tim's history is to string together a series of events that have nothing to do with each other. These events diverse as they may be, will culminate in graduation. The flow of events was somewhat like this: Judy-matriculation at VMI-Essig, Quackenbush, Martin, Boardman, and Stultz- Rat Corps trip- all those P.T.'s and more confinement, to say nothing of the demerits- mailroom counter-Karate- sink on the wall, sink off the wall- springbreak, the flu, and Judy- all those poor deer- Judy and the summer of '76, and Ft. Bragg, and Lisa, and Susan,- Broken window and Reams- its almost over except for Economics. Tim will make it. I have no doubt and will be successful once he decides on what he wants to be successful on. Anyway just make sure you're not too out of shape and the kids aren't too sticky or wet for the innauguration. JEQ
DYKES Class of 1974 - Steve Klinefelter
Class of 1980 - William H. Reams, George Condyles III

John Ward Moore
"Squirrel", "Scro"
Port Isabel, Texas
Electrical Engineering - Navy
Dean's List 2; I.E.E.E; Nichols Bar and Grill; Run for Your Rack 1,2,3; Armed Forces Club 4; Ghetto 1,2,3,4; Low Profile Club; N.R.O.T.C. Scholarship 1,2.
John came to the Institute with a Marine Corp career in mind. It only took six weeks in Quantico, after his Rat year, to help him regain his sanity. As a Third he cared just enough to be apathetic, and his grades, never remendous anyway, took a plunge. As a Second the books came first and the year ended without an academic tragedy. His First Class year it was just a matter of "hanging on" until graduation.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Eicke Mushall
Class of 1980 - Richard Zott, Mark Pefferkorn

Kerry John Mullin
"Moon, Moonpie, Moonbeam"
Springfield, Virginia
Civil Engineer-Engineers
Varsity Football, Young Republicans Club, Hop and Floor committee, Armed Forces Club, ASCE, W.I.P.I.T.
Get your fat *$@*! up Mullin! Aren't you going to class? Late nights studying were as common as demerits for Moonpie. But those bloodshot eyes and CE headaches will pay off soon. Moon always had a will to come back-even after suspension and always after a good time. (Just ask West Hampton, Radford, ...)
There's probably never been such a carefree disposition centered around a more genuine heart. Moon was always academically concerned but easily tempted. Nacho Cheese Doritos and Miller would have been his subsistance at any other college. We did what we could on campus cops and R.A.'s across the Old Dominion. Special thanks to my parents who stuck to my side around each turn, up and down every hill and provided me with all the confidence and guidance any cadet ever received.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Rob Fulks
Class of 1980 - Mike Alston

Jeffrey Mark Munsey
"Doc, Float, Munse"
Wytheville, Virginia
English - Armor
Baseball Mgr., Trainer 3rd, Head Trainer 2,1,; English Society 2,1, Opinion Editor for Cadet 1, Number One Club 1, Hump and Double Hump Night Club 2, Nonconformist, Activist Club 4,3,2,1, Bucks Other List 3,2,1, Sir Edmund Hillary Club 3,2,1.
"Each man has but one genuine vocation-to find a way to himself, and an enlightened man has but one duty-to seek the way to himself, to reach inner certainty, to grope his way forward, no matter where it leads. I wanted only to try to live in accord with the promptings which came from my true self. Why was that so very difficult ? I Made It Damn It.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Terrell Williams (Luke)
Class of 1980 - Dennis (Slick) Watts; Robert Carper





Michael James Myers



Wesley Washington Naff III



Christopher John Nash



Stephen Lewis Neas II



Chavalit Noomnoi



Read Morten Northen, Jr.



Ira Thomas Orrell



John Thomas Pace

Michael James Myers
"Monk"
Mount Vernon, Virginia
History - Infantry
Pvt. 4.3.2.1; PE 400 4.3.2.1; RFYL 4.3; Rugby 3; President Bi-centennial 2.1; Firefighters 4.3; Scuba Club 3; Photography Editor of VMI Newspaper and Sports Writer 2.1; Young Republicans 4.3.2; Slaughter House Five 3.2.1.
'My name is Walt Garrison and I chew Skoal.' -TV Commercial '76 Mike Myers is a born leader. In any room, on any playing field people turn to him when the pressure is on. Aside from the dull and commonplace activity of day to day living, Myers stands out as a completely unique experience. There are many people who can fool the public by putting themselves in a neat package and giving the appearance of a winner. Few can walk into a panic situation and restore order in a minute. Fewer still have raised as much hell as Myers and his company 'Slaughterhouse Five'. In the weight room, Shaw's Hawgs, Mac Arthur Bowl, at every women's college in the Valley, the Serbian army roars on. (Grant made general winning, not talking.) 'To fly with the eagles, you've gotta piss with the wolves.' CWO 3 Ken Myers
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Glenn Greene
Class of 1980 - John Huges & Peyton Cambell

Wesley Washington Naff III
"W W"
Franklin County, Virginia
English - Infantry
Rugby 3.2.1, Captain 2, President 1; Football 4; Marshall Museum 2.1; VMI Museum 1; Cadet Waiter 1; College Democrats 2; SML four-man Cliff Diving Team; Pvt. 4.3.2.1; Honor Court 2.1, Prosecutor 1; Dean's List
Wes came from Franklin County with a big grin and a Southern drawl. It was easy to see that he would quickly adapt to the VMI way of life because of is ability to make friends. His ability to make friends was only surpassed by his ability to smooth talk the girls. Wes came to VMI as a football player and left as a "Rugger" with three years of wild parties under his belt. He was a hard worker but always had enough time for a little flat-footing to some blue-grass music. Wes is one of the most respected guys in our class and always had a kind word for everyone, even his roommates who at times did not deserve it. We would like to wish Wes the best of luck although based on past experiences it is evident that luck will have nothing to do with Wes's success.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Steve Orr
Class of 1980 - Craig Jones, Alex Newbill

Christopher John Nash
"Chris"
Richmond, Virginia
Civil Engineering- Air Force
Football 4.3; Track 4.3; Rugby 2.1; Captain 1; ASCE; "The Corner" 4; Cat ManFan Club; Air Force Special Student Cocke Hall Drinking and Social Club; Proud F****** Private 4.3.2.1.
The four years Chris has spent at VMI has been cramed with activities. Besides struggling constantly with his C. E. curriculum, he has participated in football, track, and rugby. Through the "I"'s attempts at character building Chris has been forced to endure frequent confinement which has in turn provided him with additional study time. Chris has always shown extraordinary taste in women; while spurning such places as Mary Baldwin and Longwood he has also managed to serenade beauties at the Paramount and White's Truck Stop. Christopher's competitive and determination is exhibited in the amount of hard work he has put into the engineering curriculum the past four years, and his fierce play on the rugby field where he has frequently demonstrated his prowess. Chris has a large heart and is known as someone who would do anything for a friend.. To Chris, we wish happiness and success in future years, after all the hard work he deserves it.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Rich Hillard
Class of 1974 - Mike Bellamy, Chrs CumBalis

Stephen Lewis Neas II
"Nip"
Greensboro, North Carolina
Civil Engineering - Engineers
Cpl. 3, Sgt. Major 2, First Capt. 1; DMS; Pres. of SAME 1; ASCE 3.2.1; AUSA; Posit Committee 1; Advanced Rat Training 4; High Rent District 3.2.1; Dean's List 4.3.2.1; Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
Greensboro is a long way for a Regimental Commander to come from, but Steve did it and most of us are glad he did. It's been a long way from Rat year to 1st Corporal, to Sergeant Major, to graduation, and I think to Paris (is that Paris France?), but Steve has pulled it off, bald spot and all. He's gotten discouraged very few times. Even when the girls at Tech. and Longwood accused him of being 42 years old, Steve drives on. In Dunbar's when faced by a girl, who knows whom the 5th President was, Steve doesn't lose face. So what if people laughed at him and the C. Co. XO when they drove around Hamburger Square in glasses and noses. And who cares if Beth can pin him. What difference does it make if he couldn't find his way home on his last Corps trip, his BR's will take care of him. As a final promise Steve, we all promise not to miss so much next time we all chew tobacco in the dark. Keep those letters from Earl coming. 'Airborne' Steve and a job well done! JEQ
DYKES: Class of 1974 - John White
Class of 1980 - Ken Trotman & Eddie Bower

Chavalit Noomnoi
"Mu"
Sarabury, Thailand
Civil Engineering - Artillery
A.S.C.E.; Pvt. 4.3.2.1; Dean's List 4.3.2.1; Academically Distinguished 2.1; Intramural Run For Your Life, Handball, Tennis; International Student Club.
Four years ago he arrived, frightened, scared, unsure of himself, a stranger in a strange land. Slowly he changed, that young, frightened kid turned into an accomplished world traveler. Although he never completely solved the language problem, his grades did not show it. He never let the language or any other problems stop him, success at V.M.I., next, success at Duke, then, success at whatever Bangkok wants.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Perasak Srigungval
Class of 1980 - Masood Tahamtani

Read Morton Northen Jr.
"Buzzy"
Richmond, Virginia
English
Swimming 4.3.2.1; Football 4; Golf 4.3; Monogram Club 4.3.2.1; President 1; Aquatic Board 4.3.2.1, President 2.1; P osit Committee 1; Ring Figure Committee 2; Bomb Staff 4.3.2; "Fat Juke" 2.1; Special Student;
When you become aware of the rigors, disciplines, and demands of Barracks life, you were susceptible to the "greener pastures" syndrome. Whether at VMI or elsewhere in life, This syndrome always leads to frustration which in turn may destroy one's perspective. Keep your sense of humor, and remember that life, aywhere, is at least 50% a matter of attitue. To the positive thinker, the glass is half full; to the negative, the same glass is half empty.
Letter from James L. Wheat Jr.
13 September, 1976
To those who know Buzzy and know him well, there could be no better friend. To those of you who didn't get to know him, the hell with you! Good luck to all the members of XXXX '77 and I hope you find happiness and success in whatever you do--RMN, Jr. '77.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Rick Kastleburg
Class of 1980 - Lance Green

Ira Thomas Orrell
"Tom, Moe, Morel, Boy"
Gwynn's Island, Virginia
History-Artillery
Pvt. 4, Cpl. 3, Sgt. 2, Lt. 1; Honor Court, Academically Distinguished, Dean's List, D.M.S., VMI Symposium Committee 3, Armed Forces Club 3, Fire Fighters 2, Rugby 4, Student Grotto 3, Rat Training 3,1, Visiting Scholar 1, All-Star Weekend Club 4.3.2.1.
Four years. That's all it was. I simply cannot verbalize what it all meant to me in this space. So I'll just simply say that I learned a lot and changed somewhat (for the better--especially in adaptation and adjustment). I will never forget this place and the good friends I made here. Thank you Brenda for staying by me through it all. Perhaps many years from now I will be better able to reflect back on the real value of my time here, but for now I'm just so ecstatic on the thought of getting out on my own that I'll say nothing else. And now for some of that HAY DOWN and ALL DUTY for life!
"God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, COURAGE to change the things I can, and WISDOM always to tell the difference."
Kurt Vonnegut, Jr. from *SLAUGHTERHOUSE FIVE*
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Tom Parker
Class of 1980 - Joe Brown, John Runyon

John Thomas Pace
"Buster: B.P."
Petersburg, Virginia
Economics-Armor
Crp. 3, Sg t. 2, Pvt. 1; DMS *The Cadet;* Dean's List; Harley Hinton Scholarship;LODGE President# 3.2.1; Hop & Floor Committee; Assistant Sports Information Director; SML 4- Man Diving Team; Who's Who on L.A. Beach, Southern Conference Sports Writers Association.
Taking the road less traveled by, Buster passed up the ivy gates of other schools for the rusty gates of Jackson Arch and "MOTHER I". Buster Learned all the traits of the fine life from his dykes early (Camelot, The Lodge, a 67 Coronet, Chicken Weekend, & Wednesday G.P. Parties). Good deals were plentiful through his work as assistant SID typing all those play by play's.His 3rd class year saw a switch to the Root Cellar and a higher GPA. Enjoying the LA life, BP teamed up with the Rod for more good times out at the Lodge and even made it to the Mardi Gras. But even that was not enough as after 6 weeks at Bragg Buster taled W. W. and Dave (Big Wally) into an 11 day round trip to Cal. Buster will depart VMI the same way he entered, in a "Rush", his life has not slowed down a bit. Take care BP and we never have to worry about finding you or a good time.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Ted Telle, Charles Toler, Dave Stormont, Bob Trost
Class of 1980 - Gary Levenson, Harold Mayton





Clyde Wyatt Paris, Jr.



Michael Louis Parish



Ronnie Eugene Parrott



Barton Cheves Pasco



Norman Lewis Paul



Thomas Bernard Pender



Christopher Martin Perry



Michael Delano Peters

Clyde Wyatt Paris, Jr.
"Bwana"
Thomasville, North Carolina
Civil Engineering - Air Force, Pilot
Pvt., Cpl., Sgt., 2nd Battalion S-3; President Aviation Explorers Post; Firefighters 3.2.1; Arnold Air Society Officer 3.2; Student Grotto; Computer Center Assistant.; Rat Training; S-5 Staff; Posit Committee; ASCE; F.I.P.; R.O.A.; Gunny Club;
There is so little time left after 4 long years. I would like to express my gratitude and thanks to all who have helped me through the VMI. Mom, Dad, and my sisters, to you all I owe so much. You've been strong, patient, loving, and so very understanding. These years have brought us closer and made us stronger. This place has made me realize how lucky I am.
To my roommates, the support and understanding that you've given as brother rats will always be remembered and appreciated. Thank you and good luck. My only sorrow at this time in my life is that my grandfather, Wates Willis Curd, can't be here to enjoy it with me. To him and all the wonderful memories I have of him I dedicate this space. His favorite symbolizes my love for him forever.
Good Luck Brother Rats, may you all reach the goals you have set and enjoy life after the VMI we have been through together.
DYKES: Class of 1973 - Craig Kugelberg
Class of 1980 - John Rudolph, Paul Klutz.

Michael Louis Parish
"Flame, Mo, Pork Chop, Half Man"
Memphis, Tennessee
Economics - Infantry
Pvt., Cpl., M/Sgt., Cpt.-Regt. S-4; 4 yr. Army Scholarship; Dean's List; DMS; Debate Team; Adv. Rat Tng.; Rat Tng. Cadre; Ranger Plt.; Ranger S-4; Posit Committee; Student Grotto;AUSA; AUSA Service Award; AUSA Treasurer; Airborne School Graduate; ROTC Camp Cmdrs. Leadership Award; Recondo; AOT; Food Committee-Chairman; Uniform Committee; Safety & Health Committee; Concessions Council; Throu' Brothers; FIDO; SNAFU; Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
'All the Way. Gung-ho. Hard-charging.' I guess those are the kinds of words most often used to describe Mike Parish. He's put 100% effort into everything he's done here at the I. But not only in the military aspect, where some people think Mike's only talents lie. You don't have to read many of his extra-curricular activities to see that Mike has interests and abilities in every field from military to academic. And he's used his abilities both for his own betterment as a man and for the improvement of our class and the Institute as well. Whether through the rank structure or the class system, Mike has done his best to keep the Corps VMI's proudest possession.
The future seems to hold many things for Mike; most likely an RA in Infantry, probably graduate school and much more. Good Luck. KWK
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Herb Flather
Class of 1980 - Rick Fowler & Dave Scherer

Ronnie Eugene Parrott
"Ron, Ron-Boy, Uncle Ron."
Cleveland, Virginia
History - Air Force
Dean's List 4.3.2.1, Academically Distinguished 1, Ex-Pinball Wizard, T.V. Lab 4.3.2.1, Private 4.2.1, Corporal 3.
Ron seems to have liked his four years at VMI except minor things such as hair regulations and the blue book in general. After finishing his rat years he became a T.V. major for his third and second class years. Though for his first year he had to concentrate on his history requirements. Ron has been an avid participant in run-for your rack since the end of rat training though he sometimes finds it hard to get motivated at 1600 after being in the rack for an hour or two. Ron has been a member of the saturday night Pizzeria expedition for the past two years and though not a member of AA there have been occasions in which he had to be escorted back to barracks especially fron Longwood this past year.
DYKES: Class of 1974 Rick Donahue
Class of 1980 Keith Stewart

Barton Cheves Pasco
"Baby Huey, Bear, Disco Jello",
Richmond, Virginia
Economics -Artillery
Varsity Swimming Team 4.3.2.1, Monogram 4.3.2.1, Pres. VMI, Water Polo Club 4.3.2.1, Firefighters 2, Harrah Treasurer, Timmons Society 1, Hop and Floor Committee 4.3.2.1, College Rep. 4.1, Permit Sup. 3.2.1, Bomb Staff 3.2; AUSA 2.1, All STAR Weekend Club 4.3.2.1.
Bart, a fifth generation Pasco at the I, is the right guy to know. This virgin is always writing and getting approved some permit, usually for someone other than himself. Often is the case, Bart was also known to neglect his duties to do something for someone else. A "Rat Daddy" you say, well maybe a little partial. As an All-steer summer school man, Bart was known to have a bottle of Beam. This trait is still though-of which he participated all 4 years. And even set two records as a rat. Something else which never hurt Bart- or anybody- is his better half-yes-Laura WOW* who could forget? NO one in their right mind. A perfect couple in anybody's circus-she's done ya good Bart. And likewise I'm sure. God bless ya -- you BLIMP.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Thomas Kirby Mascot
Class of 1980 - Donald Eugene Bradshaw

Norman Lewis Paul
"Butch, Cardiac"
San Antonio, Texas
English-Air Force
Cpl., Sgt., Pvt. Grotto 4.; English Society 3.2.1, English Society Treasurer 1, Bus. Manager Sounding Brass 2 Cdt. Publications Board 1, Lejune Hall Cdt. Ass. Mgr. VMI CDT. Staff 3.2.1, Every Morning PX Club 4.3.2.1; Dean's List, Fire Fighter.
Norman entered the gates of VMI with the intent of remaining only one year. During this same year it appeared this would become a definite reality, as the talk of transfering to another college spilled from his mouth daily. However, exception grades his RAT year-rare feat among cadets and an AFROTC scholarships the following year prompted a change in Butch's attitude which eventually lead to the beginnings of his exceptional career at VMI. Butch was appointed to many key positions in and out of barracks. When something had to be done, or a third party was needed to help make a decision, Norman was called upon. Norman's ingenious intellect wouldn't allow him to accept illogical answers or shaky rules, a true marking of a future lawyer. We have helped one another and have made it together.
DYKES: Class of 1974 Melvin Clark
Class of 1980 Mark Sanboarn, Jay McConnell

Thomas Bernard Pender
"tb", "Shakeee"
Navesink, New Jersey
History-Artillery
Debate (4.3.2.1), Crp. (3), Dean's List, Academic Stars, Honors Thesis, Keyman.
Things that bear remembering; the Great Richmond Drunk's, the Longwood Mixer and I'll bet you have big 's, and Chuck's car, Pizza and the great permit, writer Bouchard a special trip to Richmond, the great Blue Ghost, the king of the bookworms. Most people change a great deal but not Tom, he still gripes and evades the showers "Showers are for those who wouldn't know what to do without them." His twin "L" dykes drive him crazy as did Lissy. His two special professors, Hand and Smokie will not forget him. In all--he had a good time including the great NJ blizzard, and his irrepressable Irish Spirit and Songs.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Tim McCarthy
Class of 1980 - Chris Lusk, Steve Letts

Christopher Martin Perry
"Fingers, Jive Man, Soul Man of the Commanders"
Richmond, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Engineer
VMI Commanders 4.3.2.1; Karate Club 4.3.2.1; Pep Band 4.3.2.1; Director of Pep Band 1; Rat Training Executive Officer for Band Co.; Cadet Newspaper 4.3; Furlough and Advertising Manager; Cadet Host for Parent's Weekend 1.
Four years ago, a young trombone-blower came to VMI; you'd think he would know better--his father checked the place out back in the Old Corps. But, having secured advance reservations, Chris arrived all set for the fun-filled adventures that lay ahead. Little did he know . . . . one year and one summer school later, our hero returned as a Third, all ready to take on the world. He was made a corporal, and the famous "Mr. Perry's Jive Squad" still lingers in many a memory. After another summer school, there was Ring Figure. And another summer session--what perseverence. And now, behold the First Classman. But seriously, for three years, Chris has been a good roommate, one able to take the abuse of Cueball and Bubbles. And a brother rat always.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Kevin Nettrour
Class of 1980 - Bill Kyle, John Gibney

Michael Delano Peters
"Mike, Doc, Dash, Lips, Phibes, Pete, The Pro"
Portsmouth, Virginia
English - Armor
Pvt.; Commanders; Brass Ensemble; Sacred Order of Vigilantes Local Order 186; No. 4 Club; The I Came Back Club; Pep Band; VMI Tweets; English Speaking Union; Dean's Other List.
When Mike came to VMI in 1973, he faced a world quite different from anything he had ever seen. He was an innocent, clean-living, southern boy about to be swallowed up by 4 wild, city-boy yankees. Well, Mike found himself ascending to the standards of a fast VMI life. It wasn't long, however, before he became disillusioned by his near disasterous CE curriculum. Lousy grades and starvation for freedom, Mike took a vacation from VMI in his 3rd class year. But, with a little help from his friends, who found dullness and despair without Mike's great sense of humor and wit, he returned like a ball of fire our 2nd class year. He became interested in a music career and found girls, smoking, drinking and cursing among his pleasures in life. Good luck and Success Brother Rat.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Ronnie 'little Man' Vigneault
Class of 1980 - Mark Pauls & Sam Overstreet 'Private Eye'





Yanyong Phataralaoha



Raymond Joseph Pietruszka



William Edward Powell



Russell Ivan Puckett, Jr.



Pongsak Pullsuk



John E. Quackenbush



Eric Michael Radford



David Leon Ralph

Yanyong Phataralaoha
"P. Yong"
Bankok, Thailand
Electrical Engineering - Artillery
Cpl.; Barracks Sound Technician; Deans List and Distinguished; Vice Pres. IEEE VMI Chapter; National Physics Honor Society (Sigma Pi Sigma); Society of Physics Students; VPI and Su Badminton Champ '75; Intramural; Volleyball, Run for Your Life, Handball, Tennis; Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
Yong possesses one of the finest minds around and has learned much during his first 4 years in America. Most of this learning came the hard way, since most (excepting his fun-in-the-sun semester off at Va. Tech) occured at VMI. Yong came to VMI expecting an exciting challenge but was personally disappointed by the system. While this gives an indication of his abilities, it also led to his getting a car and pursuing the important things in America- like girls and good times. Although independence and a somewhat rebellious spirit have hallmarked his cadetship, Yong has been a true friend and provided us with many an entertaining idea. We wish you good luck as a grad. School playboy and the inevitable success of your future.

Raymond Joseph Pietruszka
"Ray; R. J.; Bubbles; Raa - Mond; The Wedge;"
Forked River, New Jersey
Civil Engineer - Engineering
RFYL 3; Glee Club 4,3; Newspaper 4,3,2,1; Business Manager, Advertising Manager, Furlough Manager; Pvt. 4,3,2,1; AOT; Ranger Platoon 2,1; Sentinels 3,2,1; Newman Club 4,3; Pep Band 4,3,2,1; Band Company;
Out of the gray of New Jersey came the awesome figure of Ray Pietruszka, with his coins and stamps in one arm and his trumpet in the other. He offered to trade four years of his life for a C.E. Degree. During such time he has brought the newspaper out of hock to become a thriving enterprise, always playing the "solo" on The Doxology after the Football games, and always kept his roommates out of trouble. During his many activities Ray found time for Marilyn and Jill. We tried to tell him he couldn't use military strategy when dating girls.
If one ever needed someone who was dependable and who would be there if you needed him, all you had to do was to turn around and there was Ray. He is a good friend as well as a Brother Rat.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Jim Huddle
Class of 1980 - Elliot Wolffe

William Edward Powell
"Boog"
Richmond, Virginia
English - Air Force
Rat Football; Pvt. 4,3,2,1; 400 Club; Chairman of Posit Committee; 'The Mob'; Tucker Street; Letcher Ave. Lacross Club 4,3,2,1; Summer of 75; 76; English Society 3,2,1; Buck List 3,2,1; Sir Edmund Hillory Club.
Bill Powell came to VMI with his own distinct ambitions and transcendent realities of becoming a fighting keydet on the gridiron and a Dental protege in the classroom but somewhere along the way he evolved into 'Boog' and these myths and rituals of his rat year became cloudy emissions of the tranquil past in an abscurity belonging only to the crew of 332,232 & 132. Boog's lifestyle changed drastically under the constant care of Wooz and Munsey (Flout) in eveything from his party style; musical tastes to his lovelife. Could it have been all of our 'close-up' that made the difference in sex appeal (you chear)? I don't really know what to say about a guy who partied with the best of them - but never joined these same elitists on confinement for long durations - except that he always did seem to have *luck* on his side."Good-bye Joke! - Hello World!"
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Franks, Les
Class of 1980 - Tolar Nolley (Genelly) & Gary Kessler (Red)

Russell Ivan Puckett, Jr.
"Doublewide"
Halifax, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Engineering
Rat Football; Baseball 3,2,1; Pvt. 4,3,2; Member of the "MOB".
Russell came to VMI not knowing what exactly to expect; and boy was he surprised. Rat Line ! What the hell is the rat line? Always in trouble and almost always stinky. "The Cellar," the APRIL JAM, and always summer school, fun, fun, fun. School was important to him buy Ayme was probably the most important thing of all. It's been a long, hard road and now it's time for the pay off, so "Leme hold."
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Tom Dick
Class of 1980 - Jed Ten Hoeve

Pongsak Pullsuk
"Papi, Pong, Foreigner, Yellow Pearl, "Suk", Te, Papion, Don Ho."
Cholburi, Thailand
Civil Engineering - Air Force
Armed Forces Club 3; Private 1,2,3,4; President International Student Society 2,1; Soccer 2;1; Chairman Tuturing Committee 1; Coordinator Ski Club 2; Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
The task of writing a history is difficult if you're to avoid sinking into sentimental dribble that normally happens with these. If one deals only with facts, the task of describing Pongsak Pullsuk is still difficult.
How does one describe a person who can play Golf and Tennis all the time, skis all winter, a member of the Soccer team, who knows the P.X. better than his own room, and still manages to be the top C.E. in his class? Versitile, congenial and a true friend only scratch the surface in describing Papi. A credit to his country and to VMI, it can only be described as an honor to know him. Good luck, Papi, I'm sure you will succeed at whatever endeavor you pursue.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Rick Hissm
Class of 1980 - Douglas B. Reddington

John E. Quackenbush
"Quack"
Commack, New York
Civil Engineering - Airborne Infantry
God and the soldier, we adore in time of danger, not before; The danger passed and all things righted, God is forgotten, and the soldier slighted.
Author Unknown
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Cliff Biram
Class of 1980 - Pete Dugan, Ebrahim Bibiz

Eric Michael Radford
"Grease, Tooter"
Greenville, South Carolina
Biology - Armor
Football 4.3.2,1; Track 4,3,2,1; Monogram Club 4,3,2,1; Monogram Treasurer 1; Skoal Club.
I entered VMI a petrified Rat and left a scared 1st. I won't forget many of the experiences during my 4 years at VMI. Most of them centered around many of my friends like Bodeen, Queenie, Wooz, Hobbsey, Float, Gator, Barn, Etc. Who could ever forget the trip to Greensboro in the 'Blue Bomber' or a summer with the cows. 'P' is for Party and we played our hearts out, with only 'T' Martoonies. We didn't get out on the town much, but when we did, it was rowdy dowdy . . . . The country club got us through our senior year and 'I know you got it witcha' echoed through the halls. Football and Women was all we craved. Everybody was on the floor when Wooz cranked it up with Richard Todd. Bodeen was the lover and Queenie was the leaver, and I just joined right in. We're still working on the Mazola Party like Gen. McArthur said to his troops at Corrigidor 'BYE!' AMF - Adios M
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Mike Cole
Class of 1980 - Juice Washington

David Leon Ralph
"Dave, Country Boy"
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Electrical Engineering - Corps of Engineers
Cpl. 3; Rifle Team 3,4; Nichols Bar and Grill; "Nichols Seven" Near Miss Club
When Dave Ralph entered Jackson arch on August 22, 1973 he was a walking portrait of "Mr. Military", strackness personified. The Army was in his blood. Power, authority, notoriety, he'd had them all as the XO of his high school ROTC unit. He entered VMI with a single objective in mind, to join the ranks of those distinguished alumni (Patton, Marshall, Byrd, de Butts, McCarthy, Vasquez-Bruno . . . .). It didn't take long for this military stud to turn into that Banjo Picking Cassanova we all know today as the Simple Country Boy. Since "life as an EE is kinda lay back", Dave Ralph, SCB, quickly immersed himself in wild parties, wilder women, and hot cars. Good luck and best wishes to Dave (Competition Raph) on graduation day as clutch smoking, universal breaking and drive shaft dragging he drives his hot car away from the place he has come to know and love so dearly.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - J. F. W. Caldwell
Class of 1980 - Russell Early, John Briggs





Robert Barry Reddington



Robert Eric Reibach



William Ernest Reichelt



Jeffrey William Reynolds



Shelton P. Rhodes



Hector Richard Rios



Augustus Robbins IV



John Robert Robertson

Robert Barry Reddington
"Rob; Redd"
Needham, Massachusetts
English - Navy
Cpl. 3; Sgt. 2; Pvt. 1; Lacrosse; Young Democrats; VMI Cadet Staff; English Society; Peanut Pusher
Beneath the quiet veneer of Rob is hidden a personality that I have been privileged to share for the past three years. His sense of humor has helped me endure the often depressing moments of VMI. His advice is something that I have grown to respect, and his Irish temper is something that I have grown to fear. Rob is that special type of person that one can turn to in times of distress. In this sense Rob is a stoic, and his perserverence has been and exemplary source of strength and determination for me. I have learned to depend upon and to accept his often sagacoius advice. His counsel and especially his companionship are the things that I will most sorely miss when I leave VMI. Rob, I leave you with this thought: Although you are already swamped by so many "clean - legged" girls, remember that if you fail to find that special someone, it's either your Bostonian accent, or it's just simply your fault! To my parents: Thank you for your encouragement understanding. For without it I could not have endured the distressing pressures of the last four years. Doug, I told you so.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Mike Davis
Class of 1980 - Douglas Monjeau

Robert Eric Reibach
"Bob"
Waynesboro, Virginia
English & Modern Languages - Field Artillery
Bomb Staff 4.3.2; Hop and Floor 4.3.2.1; Pep Band 4.3.1; Cpl. 3; Dean's List 3.2.1; Academically Distinguished 2.1; International Relations Club 3.2; Fencing Team 3.2.1.
When you meet Bob, you will be struck by his great good humor. His is an amiable way -- his laugh, his effervescent smile, (his nose?). His goal is still law school, and perhaps a career in government. As you get to know Bob, you will find that he has a drive to get to the root of a matter, a drive to know and to understand. Ask him to tell you some of his VMI stories: Deriobach or the Bomb, the Corps Trip State Cruise, the Summer Camp Shaft. Say hello to Raab for us, and give them both our best regards. He had some close friendships in his 4 years here -- the kind that last for a lifetime.
Class of 1980 - Scott Sayre & Dixon Tucker

William Ernest Reichelt
"Bad Ass, Mean Marine"
Somers Point, New Jersey
History - Marine Corps
Pvt. 1.2.3; Cpl. 3; Fencing 2.3.4; S.A.F.L.; New Market March '76; Dean's List 1.2; Scuba Club 1.2; Judge - Court at Room 346
Bad ass Bill took the Institute by storm one scorching day in August '73. As a Rat, Bill had the unlikely combination of being a hard charging PLC Marine - type, as well as being in the band. It didn't take our man long, though, before he wised up and joined the society of ex-tweets. Following the example of his B.R.'s, Bill decided to "head for the trees" - A. Co.! Academically, he has perfected the osmosis method, proving that work and grades really are an inverse relationship. One could always count on Bill to get out of his rack to help a Brother Rat in distress. In all endeavors, Bill has proven that he can excel over all the rest - and still appear to be cool-breezing it! Best of luck in the future from all the B.R.'s.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Dennis Trainer
Class of 1980 - Jay Hawkins

Jeffery William Reynolds
"Bodeen"
Roanoke, Virginia
History - Armor
Football; Basketball; Baseball; Monogram Club
I came to VMI in August 1973 and sure didn't realize what I was getting in to. I sure had a rough time adjusting to the system, but I met many great people such as Mike Trainor. I'd like to thank my friends: Randy, Bobby, Eric, Ralph, Barny, Wooz, Munce, Boog, Russel, Hobbsy, Johnny, Pat (sec.) and most of all my parents, Dave and the Coxes. These people helped me get through such times as Major Brenci welcoming me to the Number One Club, Room 333, Tereasa, FTX in barracks and Lou, increasing my knowledge at the Stoned House with Bobby and Johnny, many, many demerits, the Hotel Roanoke, summer school again with Eric, Wooz and Russel and Room 233. Finally I'd like to say I'm looking forward to a great senior year in room 150 and graduation day couldn't come to soon! AMF
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Les Dziewizz
Class of 1980 - Dwayne Guynn & Billy Rumble

Shelton P. Rhodes
"Governor"
Elizabethtown, North Carolina
History - Infantry
Varsity Wrestling 1; Corps Council 1; Cadet Program Board 3.2.1; Cadet Activities 3.2.1; Young Democrats; Corporal; Master Sargent; 2nd Lt.; DMS.
"Two roads diverged in a wood, and
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference"
Robert Frost
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Robert Smith
Class of 1980 - Hossein Eshaghi, Paul Keel

Hector Richard Rios
"Wilson, Rick"
Fairfax, Virginia
Civil Engineering-Engineers
Cross Country 4; Varsity Wrestling 4.3.2.1; Same 2.1; Armed Forces Club 4; Monogram Club 4.3.2.1; Barber 3.2.1
What can you say about a guy who can sleep in his misc. box and likes to chase high school chicks? Rick's got just enough wildness in him (must be that Latin blood) to bring those who know him down to earth.. His athletic abilities have come to his aid on many occasions such as wrestling when the OC walked in on the Nudie Championships, swimming on the midnight swims and track for running the block except he wasn't fast enough a couple of times.
But the key to Rick is his ambition. He knows what he wants and success is inevitable. It's to that end that he has directed his energies and thus he has gotten a little more out of this place than the rest of us.
DYKES: Class of 1974 Stanley Poston
Class of 1980 Walter Kreitler, Craig Wilson

Augustus Robbins IV
"Gus, Goose"
Baltimore, Maryland
Economics - Special Student
RDC President; Cadet Program Board President; Cadet Activities Committee; Concessions Council; Rat Bn. Cmdr.; Pvt. 4.3.2.1; Varsity Soccer 4.3.2.1; Club Lacrosse 4.3.2.1; 503 SSBS Society; Boy's Club; Who's Who in the Zoo; Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
I came to VMI to please my father; I stayed to please myself; and when I graduate I will please everyone. Unlike most guys, I enjoyed it here. I enjoyed all the good times with all my friends, and I have made many true friends, and I learned from all the bad times. I regret some of the stupid things I've done, but matriculation was not one of them. I would do it again.
To the guys that I won't see again, take care and good luck. To the guys that I will see, take it easy until we meet again. To my close friends, what can I say, we are brothers and always will be. Mom and Dad - Thanks for everything. Kathy - I love you honey, and with out your love and support I couldn't have made it.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bob Franks
Class of 1980 - Bob Shelly & Pete Barrow

John Robert Robertson
"Robby, Cowboy"
Houston, Texas
Modern Languages - Navy
Varsity Soccer; Cub Scout Den Chief; Monogram Club; Naval Foreign Exchange; Cpl., Master Sgt., Capt; F-Troop Commander; Gunny Club; BCUA; Who's Who among students in American Universities and Colleges.
I became a rat, rather than a freshman in an advanced high school, because I was afraid of VMI. As a young man, I had a fear of heights; but nothing thrilled me more than climbing. Once I'd begun there was no stopping until the summit was reached. Then, pausing to look where I'd been, I was always awe struck to discover how far the climb had taken me.
But nothing is more lonely than the quiet top of a mountain. At the Institute, many have travelled with me. Sometimes I pulled my brother rat; sometimes he pulled me; and sometimes the spirit pulled us both. And together we have experienced the pains and joys along the way. I suppose it's time to move on now; but before I go let me say, 'God Bless Them All!'
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Kevin E. Newton
Class of 1980 - Daniel B. Sweeney





David Alan Robinson



Edgar D. Rodriguez



Kim Newton Rose



William Gary Roundy



Elliot Reynold Ruhland



John Franklin Sanford



Robert Kerfoot Sanford



William Park Sangtinette

David Alan Robinson
"Mystery Man, Vertigo, Little Bush Pig"
Pennsville, N.J.
C.E. - Air Force
Pvt. 1.2.3.4, Varsity Cross Country, Indoor and Outdoor Track 1.2.3.4, Skoal Club, P.C. 4.3.2.1, Summer School 4.3.2, Band (4.3.2.1)?, Anti Prep Club, Monogram Club 4.3.2.1, ASCE Ripley's-believe-it-or-not Club
Big Al eased thru the arch that first day totally in the dark as to what was ahead. The boys in room 221 quickly "lit" up his posterior and briefly dilluted his Quixotic Spirit in order to direct him to greater academic achievement. Having difficulties meeting these standards Al merely abandoned them - turning instead to stumbling from mixer to mixer and amazing all there and in between with his added endowment!
Having shared more good times and consequently many of the best lectures and most powerful acts of incarcerations Buck had to offer, I find it hard to believe he has found enough time to get around to graduating (knock-on-lrby's-head!) Al happily leaves here today looking forward to better things with his free spirit pushing him towards tighter squeezes and his quick feet always pulling him one step ahead of the posse. F. Lee
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bob Moore
Class of 1980 - Jody Weatherwax

Edgar D. Rodriguez
"The Rod"
Norwood, New Jersey
Economics - Air Force
JV Basketball; Freshman Footbal; Corporal; Young Republicians; Intramurals
On August 15, 1973, 'The Rod' first walked through Jackson Arch. He was ready to take on the world. Little did he know what he was up against. In just a short period of time he was to find out that among all the beauty present in the Shanendoah Valley, 'Hell' existed. Being a rugged individual, 'The Rod' was not about to give in. As a third 'The Rod' united forces with 'The Kro' and 'The Stick'. He brought a car to school, and became part owner of a house with 'The Mo'. His sidekick became 'The Kro'. Together they formulated a 'Bad Duo', which was not to be messed with. When muscle was needed 'The Stick' was called. These three men who reside in 'The Cellar' are on their way out. For 'The Rod' is glad its all over.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Weldon 'Stoop' Neal
Class of 1980 - Steve Kraus & Bill Pataki

Kim Newton Rose
"Skull, Rosey"
Endicott, New York
Biology -- Navy
Cpl. 3; Sgt., 1st Sgt. 2; Captain 1; Student Grotto 4.3; Young Republicans 4; Firefighters 3.2.1; Scuba Club 3; Library Assistant 2.1; Air Explorer 3; Resident of the 'high rent' district; Member of the 'gunny' Club; NROTC Scholarship
Mom and Dad,
Just a few days until graduation. Spending these last few days with my brother rats, talking about all the crazy things we've done in four years. Seems like I feel closer to them----and VMI----than ever before, and now recognize what these four years have been all about.
I'm leaving here with a sense of duty, Honor, and responsibility that can not be learned at any other school to such a degree. Duty to my class my brother rats, who have shared with me the trials of being a cade, my school, and Most of all, My country. Honor that personal treasure which demands total adherance, is perhaps the greatest lesson of VMI. And responsibility---to my family and friends, my job, all the people who's lives I may affect, and to myself.
I'm leaving here much changed from the man-child that came in August of '73. I'm leaving a VMI man, ready to apply the lessons of four hard years....and yet I am somehow saddened....to be departing. Thank you love and support, Mom and Dad. You've given me more than I can ever repay....and so has VMI.
Love, your son
Kim
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Jeff Huckabee
Class of 1980 - Bob Boyer, Tom May

William Gary Roundy
"Turkey", "Bear-I-Mean"
Berlin, Germany
Electrical Engineering - Navy
Scuba Club 3; Armed Forces Club 4; Amateur Radio Club 1.2.3.4; Nichols Bar and Grill 1; IEEE 1.2; Run for your Rack 1.2.3; Ghetto 1.2.3.4; Low Profile Club 1.2.3.4
I came here knowing nothing and leave with only a question. What would it have been like to go to a real college? I attribute my not finding out to the great friends I would be leaving behind. Only at VMI could I come across people like the Bear, Panther, Pink, Werewolf, Country Boy, Porno King, Number 1, Harpo, Kell, and Misters P. and T., who came to form the illustrious First Class EE's, and were regulars at the parties hosted by the Nichols Bar and Grill. I'll always appreciate the friendship and times we've gone through.
"I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I -
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference."
Thank you Caren
Dykes: Class of 1974 - Robert (Beefo) Taylor
Class of 1980 - Frank Borsi

Elliot Reynold Ruhland
"Ellie"
Montgomery, Minnesota
Civil Engineering - Navy
Pvt. 4.3; Sgt. 2; Lt. 1; ASCE; Society of Physics Students; S-5 staff; Civil War Roundtable.
Upon Matriculation, Ellie was fortunate in receiving some of the most desirable roomates in barracks. But who can forget the hard times of being a rat? Well, Ellie will probably never let that nightmare escape his memory. Ellie was a strac rat and upperclassman, but he never got his chance to prove his leadership ability until he joined the Band Company Transfer Club. Upon entering Delta Company as a private, he found himself as a platoon commander in a very brief time. Although "Sweet John" said Ellie would never made it and that he should go back to the farm; Ellie has made it after all.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Vincent A. Abruzzese
Class of 1980 - Philip B. Munisteri

John Franklin Sanford
"John"
Luray, Virginia
Physics - Artillery
Rat Typist 4; Varsity Baseball 3.2.1; Pvt. 4.3.2.1; Monogram Club 3.2.1.
Good fortune, John never stopped believing in the VMI. As a matter of fact, he couldn't believe his curriculum, starting with biology then electrical engineering and finally physics. As a brother rat, John was quick to smile, whenever he had a chance to lift his head up from his books. For three years he was a starting pitcher for the baseball team, joining his twin brother, they both enjoyed the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat. Being quiet and shy, he was a very good listener and was always there to lend a helping hand. His dykes, Ron and Jim, are very fortunate and extremely happy to have such a good dyke.
It's been four happy, frustrating, trying and rewarding years. It was great knowing you brother rat and with your great personality and knowledge, you'll do well in any endeavor. You never had an enemy in the corps and all of us wish you the best of luck for the future.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Andy Eason
Class of 1980 - Ron Trepanier and Jim Macklin

Robert Kerfoot Sanford
"Mister Sanford, Studford, The Redoubtable Wooden Man"
Lurry, Virginia
History - Artillery
Pvt.-4.3.2.1; B.S.U.; R.F.Y.L. Varsity Baseball-3.2.1; Monogram Club-3.2.1
After Committing some precocious mayhem upon some of my fathers tools one day, he announced that it was off to jail for me. I ran from his grasp and saved myself. This incident occured fifteen years ago. When I was eighteen, just out of high school, after having done absolutely nothing, he *did* send me to jail. It's called Virginia Military Institute and I'm now eligible for parole. As you can see I didn't run away this time, but did continue to be a little mischevious at times mostly in throwing incidents--water on sentinel, baseball over outfield fence, snowball at OD etc. However, I never played frisbe in the courtyard, or did a mudslide at the hydrant or the other things done here that serve no purpose, instead I studied, got ready, and someday my chance will come. Thanks Pop.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Clint Anderson
Class of 1980 - Mark Madigan

William Parke Sangtinette
"Bear-I-Mean", "Shanker"
Cherry Hill, New Jersey
Electrical Engineering-Artillery
Third Class Finance Committee, Radio Club, I.E.E.E., Nicho ls Bar and Grill, Number One Club, Run and Four Rack
Bill arrived here toughened and relatively unscathed from His previous years in Jersey. It wasn't until his Second Class year that his training broke down. Ring Figure hit hard, and left the Bear Weak and wobbling for weeks. Thank goodness for the haven of the Radio Room and the Medicines it came to administer to those in distress. It was an unfortunate occurance that the Admiral was made aware of this refuge during our First Class year. The result was several new additions to the "Number 1 Club." Even with this load on his back, Bill could be counted on to show a smile, or lend an ear and whole, but esp. the EE's wish Uncle Bear-I-Mean the best of everything in the future.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Tim Bosse
Class of 1980 - Jeff Basilotta, Nick Servido





Joseph Jude Santelli



James Joseph Schaffer III



Douglas William Sebert



Paul Michael Seufer



Steve Severson



Robert Singleton Sherrard, Jr.



William Arthur Short



Dale Garnet Shrader

Joseph Jude Santelli
"San Deigo, J.J., WOP"
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Civil Engineer - Corps Of Engineers
Soccer (1,2,3,4); A.S.L.E. (1,2,3,4) Monogram Club (1,2,3,4); Anti Prep Club, S.A.M.E. (1,2); College Republicans (3,4) C.E. Party's Head Chef.
Joe made the trip from Pittsburgh to Lexington without any knowledge of the V.M.I. system. He had thoughts of fun and sun. His ideas were quickly changed. He kept trying a two months of his second semester will attest to. His second class year was his finest, but he'd still do anything to get away from the "I" and get home ever if he had to thumb. Then there was Ring figure and Leslie, a beautiful girl and his only love, the girl that was royal and true through the roughest times while Joe was 300 miles away. Joe definitely a fun lover and party goer always had a funny comment and a helping hand whenever needed. With fond memories of great experiences and friendship, Wes, Billy and Mark wish Joe the best of luck knowing success will follow his every step.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Phil Parker
Class of 1980 - Joe Paustenbaugh, Ed Kopsick

James Joseph Schaffer III
"Jimbo, Schal, Super Sax, Ming, Tracy's Guy"
Woodbury Heights, New Jersey
English - Armor
Pvt., commanders; Sacred Order of Vigilantes; Number 4 Club; Pep Band; DMS; Leader of VMI Commanders, 1; VMI Tweets.
Back in August of 1973 the Institute was to feel the presence of the hustling and bustling "kid from New Jersey, Gentleman Jim". After arriving at the Big "I" Jim had to put away all his past good times and "fancy duds" and get down to the hard business at hand, the "Ratline". That first year, Jim suffered through the Biology curriculum and being an intelligent young man, switched to English the second semester of his third class year.
An accomplished saxophonist in his own right, Jim has set his course upon the music world and ninety days in the Army after graduation from "this beloved place". Jim has seen good times and bad times here at the "I", but through it all he has been himself and for that "Bro", thanks and good luck in the future.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Sam Powell
Class of 1980 - Mark Beebe

Douglas William Sebert
"Grandma"
Brownsville, Vermont
Economics - Armour
Pvt. 4,3,2,1; Rifle team 4,3; Lacrosse 2,1; The Cadet Circulation Staff 4; Glee Club 4,3; Bro's 2,1; VMI Regimental Band 4,3,2,1; Number One Club 3,2.
It was on a fateful day in August of 1973 that I was randomly placed in a room where I met the guy I would room with for the next four years (including eleven weeks of summer school.) At first he was quite a withdrawn fellow and the only name I knew him by was "New Hampshire". It was not long, however, before he fell right into phase, with the VMI ways of unique language and habits. One of the few cadets to receive two #1's and still be around to see graduation. That in itself is tribute enough to his fortitude and tenacity. The words "never say die" could not describe anyone better. Douglas suffered through everything from a hernia to a broken arm and still continued to "press up the hill of science" The Bro's will never forget him.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Jack Neff;
Class of 1980 - John Keane, Joe Parisi

Paul Michael Seufer
"Shorty"
Norfolk, Virginia
Modern Languages - Armor
Rugby 1,2,3; DMS; Dean's List; Cadet Staff 1,2; Cadet Assistant 1,2,3; Hop and Floor Committee 1,2,3,4; Timmins Society 4; Drug Advisory Council 1,2; Third Class Finance Committee 2,3; Aunt Sarah's Sewing Circle; Hog Boys 348; Outdoor Recreation Committee; Posit Committee; Philanthropist; Casual hero; World traveler;
Shorty came to Lexington to elude the folks in Norfolk who did not appreciate his gonzo way of life. With an incentive from home, Shorty went forth and did good earning his stars in academic and a DMS in the military. Returning first class year, Shorty found himself in high demand, being called upon to serve on various committees and boards in an advisory capacity. Looking back, Shorty has come a long since the Hog Boys of 348 (When we had Uncle Joe Schlitz up to the room an average of 3 nights per week). Shorty is one of those individuals who marches to the beat of a different drum. Onward and upward will be his path in life. Just remember Shorty - do not let the weasels get you.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Jim Sarver
Class of 1980 - Stephens Mundy, John Alerding, Dave Sadowski

Steve Severson
"Doc", "Sev"
Vienna, Virginia
Civil Engineering--Engineering
ASCE 1,2, Vice-President-1; SAME 1,2; AVSA 1,2; Armed Forces Club 4; Drawing Service 1,2,3; Private 1,2,3,4; Rugby 1,2; Slaughter House Five 1,2,3
"We all live in a Yellow Submarine." I'm sure will bring Steve a string of good memories, a lot of parties and good times and of course the true friendships that he has cultivated in the past few years . .
Of course the good times don't tell the full story. It's when the going got tough and weakened him that he showed us his true self . . And in the academic field he demonstrated the other half of himself, his drive and determination. To say that we are static to have Steve as a friend is putting it lightly.

How happy is he born and tought
that servette not another's will;
whose armor is his honest thought,
and simple truth his utmost skill! . . . .

This man is freed from servile bands
of hope to rise a fear to fall
Lord of himself, though not of lands;
and, having nothing, yet hath all.

Sir Henry Wottom

Best of luck Steve . . . . . .
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Von S. Bashay, Stanley Poston
Class of 1980 - Michael A. Rellins, Thomas G. Shedd

Robert Singleton Sherrard Jr.
"Bob, The Animal"
Lancaster, Pennsylvania
Chemistry - Infantry
American Chemical Society 2,1; Society of Physics Students 1; Sigma Pi Sigma Member; Cadet Program Board 3; Soccer 4; Varsity Wrestling 3,2,1; Tri-Capt. Wrestling 2,1; Track 2,1; Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
Faced with the choice between Georgia Tech., Penn State, and VMI, Bob decided to follow family tradition and attend the Institute. Needless to say, throughout the long road to graduation, as many of us, doubts and disenchantments about the 'I' were there; however, his strong state of mind desire and dedication to both his school work and athletics pulled him through.
Although Bob is thoroughly independent he allowed us in some of his private secrets and shared with us his thoughts and beliefs thus introducing us to a new outlook on life. We are all more than glad to say that we have his friendship which we know is true and sincere. "May your Heart keep the courage of the Quest, Never lose life's zest and hope the road's last turn will be the best."

-Henry Van Dyke

DYKES: Class of 1974 - Mark Prentice
Class of 1980 - Paul Burkholder

William Arthur Short
Cueball, Grasshopper, Uncle Willy, Turtle, Sugar
Rockville, Maryland
English & French - Infantry
Pvt., Cpl., Master Sgt., Lt..; Army Scholarship, Airborne, DMS; Dean's List; Academically Distinguished; Fencing Team; 4,3,2,1, - Captain 3,2,1; VMI Commanders - 4,3,2,1; Pep Band - 4,3,2,1; Brass Ensemble - 4,3; Firefighters - 1;
When it comes to cleaning the floor Bill and I have a sure gimmick - a shaving cream battle topped with hair tonic, aftershave, and anything we can dump on each other. We don't end up clean, but the floor smells real good. Bill is an easy person to describe - Crazy, Goofy, Lazy, and some things I'm not allowed to say. Those are the good things, too. Bill is the kind of guy one can depend on, even "down to the wire." He is one of the closest friends I have and a true "brother - rat." Bill will always do well because for one, he always tries and two, he cares. Steve Neas, we are training our dykes in the art of shaving cream battles.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Tom Cunningham
Class of 1980 - Steve Tunis, Richard Mouri

Dale Garnet Shrader
"Goof, Idiot, Ain't got no sense"
Arlington, Virginia
Air Force
JV Football (rat); Glee Club 4,3, Cadet Director 2,1; DPA (Downed Pilot's Assoc.); Air Explorer Club (Treas. Sec.) 2,1; Old member of Good Deal Band Co.; Pvt., Cpl., Pvt., Sgt., Pvt.; Bugler 2,1.
First he was a rat. He came with dreams, aspirations, and visions of accomplishment. He was introduced to much, learned only half of that, and will probably retain only half of what he learned. He wanted an outstanding cadetship, but learned to settle for an average one. Despite his sarcastic and skeptical outlook on life, Dale was at times, a person with something to give of himself, and was willing to give it. He once said 'for every door that closes behind me two more open in front.' Original or not, it was true for him. He cannot leave without mentioning the 'BRO'S': Robert, Bob, Rick, Mike, and Doug. Special thanks to Bob and Mike for teaching him where nice guys finish (i.e. last). May he find what he is looking for in his voice or the sky.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Roland Lazenby
Class of 1980 - Billy Sipher and Eric Deschambault





Roy Ivan Siegel



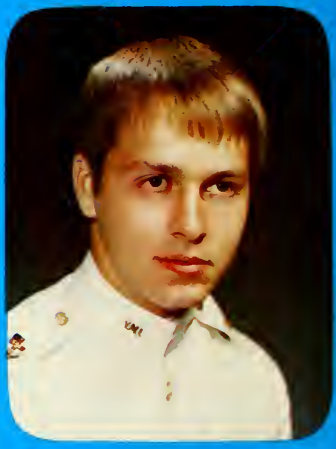
Douglas Neal Simms



David Lee Skeen



Morris Dean Slagle



Walter David Slomski



Michael Joseph Smith



Aaron Scott Snow



Timothy Blough Snyder

Roy Ivan Siegel
"Moshe, Roy, Beagle
Whippany, New Jersey
Civil Engineer, Corps of Engineering
Pvt. 4,2,1; Cpl. 3; Wrestling 4,3,2,1; ASCE 4,3,2,1; President and Founder of The New York--New Jersey Club 4,3,2,1; Operation Facelift 1; Zoo 3,1
What can be said about Roy? He's not a Catholic, he's not a Southerner, he's not a liberal-artist, what a shame. But he is a C.E. (I try not to hold it against him) and a hell of a Brother Rat.-I suppose that it is typical to say these things at the end of a cadetship, but with my usual tact, I wouldn't say it if it weren't true. We've had some good times and a whole lot of bad times together, but the PI was always there. But there really is a serious side to Roy. He'll always have a concern for the Institute but it will be moderated by common sense. Thanks, Bro, for listening when some of us are O.T.R. and need to be set straight. W.A.S.
Thanks to Mom and Dad.
R.I.S.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Sleepy Sam "the Buffalo" Turner
Class of 1980 - Ed Baker, Mike Bajorek

Douglas Neal Simms
"Doug, Guitar Man, E.C."
Salisbury, Maryland
Chemistry - Air Force
Private 4,2,1; Fencing Team 4,3,2,1; Foil Team Captain 2,1; A.C.S. 2,1; Letcher Ave 3,2,1; Ring Figure Committee 2; First Rat Sentinel; LAI 3,2,1;
Four years ago I came here without any idea of where my life was headed. VMI took over without wasting any time or sparing any pain. Although the "I" was tried to stifle my spirit, I can happily say that I have come out on top. Keeping me sane in this place were my outside activities: sailing catamarans, hang gliding, bicycling, general thrill seeking, and two lovers - Annette and my guitar (both equally jealous of each other).
Many thanks to Mom and Dad for all the support and to the past four years for all the lessons and friends.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bob Slupik
Class of 1980 - Sterling Hourihan

David Lee Skeen
Akron, Ohio
English - Armor
Glee Club 4; BSU 4,3,2,1; Bomb 4,3; English Society 1; English Speaking Union 1; Orienteering 1; DMS; Deans List
Behold, you were within me, while I was outside; it was there that I sought you, and, a deformed creature, rushed headlong upon these things of beauty which you have made. You were with me, but I was not with you. They kept me far from you, those fair things which, if they were not in you, would not exist at all. You have called to me, and have cried out, and have shattered my deafness. You have blazed forth with light, and have shone upon me, and you have put my blindness to flight! You have sent forth fragrance, and I have drawn in my breath, and I pant after you. I have tasted you, and I hunger and thirst after you. You have touched me, and I have burned for your peace.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Edgardo Jose J. A. Vasquez-Bruno
Class of 1980 - John Joeseph Burns II; Charles Stansbury White

Morris Dean Slagle
"MO, Reb, Redneck, Hillbilly"
Hickory, North Carolina
History - Air Force (S.S. Corps)
Rat=Pvt., 3,=cpl., 2=Sgt., 1=Captain, Cadet Program Board 3,2,1, Placement Committee #,2,1, President-Harass Kimber about the Civil War Club, Cadet Activities Committee, Gunny Club
Well folks, I never thought I would make it this far, but here I am! And I can't say I'm sad to be leaving, four years of a place like this ought to be outlawed! I just want to thank the two people who helped get me through VMI more than anyone else Mom and Dad. Thanks for the guidance help, inspiration, and most of all for the kick in the pants when I needed it. I love you both. And thank God! And now for life. Its time to live a little. I've got four years to catch up on. So look out world, here I come! Good luck to all the Bro's especially to John, Ton, Bill, Marty, and Kimber. (Remember Kim, we beat hell out of you yanks at Chickamauga!) For they can conquer who believe they can.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Sam Ratcliffe
Class of 1980 - Mike Kelly, Tom Bersson

Walter David Slomski
"Ski"
Steubenville, Ohio
English-Infantry
Varsity basketball 1,2,3,4; Varsity Lettermen; Monogram Club; English Society 3, Vice President 4; Posit Committee 4, Corporal
Dave came to VMI with the hopes of a rewarding experience playing basketball only to have these hopes unfulfilled time and time again by an unbroken series of injuries. If someone was testing this man's spirit, it would seem that he has passed, for in the face of all this adversity, he has overcome to perform well academically as well as become liked and respected by his peers. After living with him for two years, he has been a source of inspiration to me as to how he could achieve so much with such great odds going against him. He has endured a system by sheer courage, dedication, perseverence and the help of his beloved Ave. Whatever the road that lies ahead, I am certain that he will find a way to succeed in that capacity, it is simply his way. Don't wish him luck for he makes his own.
DYKES: Class of 1974-Bob Frank
Class of 1980-Mark J. Grubber

Michael Joseph Smith
"Mike"
Fullerton, California
Economics - Armor
Intramural Basketball 4; Tanker Platoon 3,2,1; Plt. CO 1; International Relations Club 2,1; Pres: IRC 1; Newman Club 4,3,2,1; President 1; DMS; Pvt. 4, Cpl. 3, Sgt. 2, Lt. 1.
I first remember seeing Mike Smith as he stared at me from the other side of Rm. 464. We didn't speak, Rats aren't allowed to speak.. That first day we may not have even breathed (Rats aren't allowed that first day). So silently we stood there - not speaking, not breathing; wondering why the hell the other had come - why in fact, we ourselves had come.
Mike decided he was here to become educated in the discipline of economics. As we all found, there are two types of education available: one earns a diploma dispite an education, one earns a diploma due to an education. As Mike receives his sheepskin, he alone will know the sweat and determination invested; he alone will realize the true value of being a VMI man. Some neglect the military for academics - some the academics for the military; Mike has chose to excell in both. And now 4 years later, 50 years older, we prepare to leave. But we will leave a little of ourselves and take much of VMI with us. I'll see you around, Mike, take care.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Wayne Worman
Class of 1980 - Tom Gelles & Mike Oliver

Aaron Scott Snow
"Red"
South Boston, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Corps of Engineers
Cpl.; DMS; S.A.M.E.; A.S.C.E.; Monogram Club, Baseball 1,2,3,4.
Scott came to VMI not exactly knowning what college would be like and I guess he will leave the same way. He always seemed to get along very well with hardly any effort. Good grades came easy, I guess watching T.V. is educational after all. Scott proved one thing if nothing else while at VMI, that is that a person does not have to be gung-ho and all that military bull to make it well in the army. Scott will leave VMI and do just about anything he wants to do and he will do it well.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Wayne Newman
Class of 1980 - Buddy Grey

Timothy Blough Snyder
"Tim, Tim Boy, Animal, Howdy-doody"
Mt. Jackson, Virginia
Civil Engineer - Corps of Engineers
Rugby; ASCE, Dean's List; Pvt. Pride, The Zoo, F-Troop
Tim and I have known one another since our high school days together and it was not until we came to the "I" did I really get to know him. We went through the rat line together and those terrific parties that only the First Class knows how to throw, but after this harrassment stage we started having one hell of a time with our own parties. A special girl came along at the right time in his life and she helped him more than any one individual could have, and besides he was really ready for a good girl. We have not always seen eye with one another, but yet we respected one another's views. From living with Tim, I have gained a true friend whom will always be there if there is any way possible, and I can thank the Institute for instilling such a friendship. Good luck. MWP
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Les Dziewisz
Class of 1980 - Doug Burton





Mark Winston Stagg



Norman Scott Stevens



Stanley B. Stout



Steven Blair Stout



St. Clair Street



William Henry Talley IV



Andrew Michael Tarr



Marc Joseph Thomas

Mark Winston Stagg
Richmond, Virginia
History - Field Artillery
Baptist Student Union; Bible Study Leader; Cpl. 3
The love that my family has given me during my cadetship shall never be forgotten. They have been a constant source of encouragement in the midst of my joy and my struggles. Mom and Dad, Becky, Valerie and Philip - I love all of you dearly and thank you for helping me to live a long-shared dream: my graduation from the Virginia Military Institute.

> Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God, and he who loves is born of God and knows God. He who does not love does not know God; for God is love.
>
> I John 4:7-8

DYKES: Class of 1974 - Wilson Johnson, III
Class of 1980 - Louis E. McBride

Norman Scott Stevens
"Norm"
Seymour, Connecticut
History - Armor
Cpl.-3rd time, 3rd class year; Pvt, Pvt, PFC; Debate team- 1st semester rat year, Tanker Plt-1st semester 2nd class year, 3.0 no-go club, Honors Program in history, 425 Alumni Association.
Certain individuals once asserted that the members of room 425 would never make it through V.M.I., since its occupants had the worst room in Delta Co., and proud of that as well. He remembers with equal pleasures the many Saturday nights spent in various establishments uptown our Rat year. Those who were present well remember Ring figure, the impromptu party, and the live entertainment provided by the comedy team Kalaris & Stevens, (well lubricated of course). They have been induced to reappear occasionally with fresh material from Fort Bragg.
Norm came to V.M.I. infected with the Patton Syndrome, but has since seen the error of his ways. He wants to teach history at the graduate level, bore countless students, and write books no one will buy or understand.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bob Shumate & Rick Remensynder
Class of 1980 - Lester Walsh & Larry Ciacci

Stanley B. Stout
"Unpredictable"
Chesapeake, Virginia
Biology - AS
Cpl. 3; Sgt. 2; Lt. 1 for 1 week, then busted to 1st class Pvt. for making Deans List.
Athletic Trainer 4; Boxing - Light heavyweight champ 2 years
"Stan the man"-that is what he is known as by everyone at the "I". He was always willing to help his B.R.'s. Yes sir - Stan never declined to give his view on any subject. I have heard that he always got around with the girls. That is, until Lynnie came along. What a lucky guy! I can remember when he took every possible weekend to go to Madison; to see his future wife?
Studying nights, sleeping during the day and roaming the stoops in between, that is the way he spent his time, trying to become a Bio Major, so the U.S.A.F. can take him. Good luck Stan and remember the good times. Don't forget Jim H., Elliot R., Bud L., and those who roomed in 433,367,267, and 167.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Charlie Gardner
Class of 1980 - Robert Hillard, Tuck Masker, John Hall

Steven Blair Stout
"Steve"
Chesapeake, Virginia
English - Field Artillery
Baptist Student Union; English Society; Pre-Med Society; Cpl. 3
Steve has been an inspiration to many people during these four years. He is inspiring because he is willing to share with people all that he has; whether it be a listening ear, a word of direction or a personal possession, he gives without reservation. One not knowning of Steve's personal belief in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior might readily question his rare behavior. Yet, upon being questioned, Steve's reply, "For to me to live is Christ . . .", clearly makes his purpose known." Therefore, he is inspired to serve others because of the flawless example given by Christ. Steve's loving kindness will be dearly missed by many. It is the prayer of his Christian brothers that he continue to be an inspiration to others, where ever he may be. God bless you S. B. - forever.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - John Davis
Class of 1980 - William P. Wallace

St. Clair Street
"Danny"
Springfield, Virginia
History - Infantry
Cpl.-3; Pvt.-4.3.2.1; Charter Member; Association of the U.S. ARMY-2.1. V.M.I. Fire Fighters-4.3.2.1; International relations club-4.3.2.1; Vice President-1; Militaria Society-4.3.2.1; Aggressers-3.2.1; Art-4; College Republicans-2.1; Armed Forces Club-4.3; Tanker Platoon-2; Rat Training-1; Deans List-4.3.2.1; Academically Distinguished-2.1; Distinguished Military Student; Queens Honor Guard-1, Operation "Paul Bunyon"; Room 318,218,118; Debate Squad; Bloodmobile Bleeder-4.3.2.1.
Danny's flight through life has been sustained by his power to broaden horizons. (Particularly those of his roommate) While seeking that illusive golfer wood of life, he came to V.M.I. most ardent believers; his first priorities being academics.
Even though his performance here excluded him from the "3.0 No Go Club", he did not earn his stars until his junior year with a wopping 3.97 G.P.A. (B in P.E.). In that never ending battle between grades and girls, Danny has suffered from that dreaded Hawaiian Disease, "LACK OF NOOKY". Despite this he has maintained a sainthood indicative of his character that kept his roommates from slipping into a total state of immorality. Danny we thank you for this and all the other ways our horizons have been broadened by your influence.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Frank Richardson
Class of 1980 - Doug Walker

William Henry Talley, IV
"Billy, B. T., Executive, The Bear"
Petersburg, Virginia
Economics - Armor
Pvt. 4.3.2.1; Hop & Floor; 3.2.1; Hinton Scholarship 4.3.2.1; 1977 Ring Figure Committee; Business Manager 1977 Ring Figure Book; VMI Cheerleaders 2.1; Head Cheerleader 1; Business Manager 1977 BOMB; Publications Board 1; VMI Barracks Keydet Club 2.1; Mary Baldwin Fan Club 4.3.2.1.
When one thinks of school spirit the name of Bill Talley instantly comes to mind. Yet, Bill has done much more than captain the cheerleading squad. Bill, as business manager of our Ring Figure Book, earned enough profit to provide our class with the extra funds that we needed for our Ring Figure. This thankless and time consuming job illustrates the unselfish BR spirit. I cannot neglect the term 'Prepie', for Bill epitomizes that word in his interests, taste, and above all for his fondness for 'parties'. As for Bill's future, it's clear that the world of business is certainly his ambition. Bill couldn't have selected a more appropriate profession for if there is one unique skill that Bill possesses, it is his ability to raise a dollar, and I am sure he will earn a very significant number of them. Bill is destined to be very successful Petersburg businessman and an avid supporter of the VMI.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Ted Telle
Class of 1980 - Mickey Cole

Andrew Michael Tarr
"Tarr-Belly, Tarr-Baby, Bill, Andy
Cooperstown, New York
Civil Engineering-Armor
Pvt. 1.2.3.4, Lacrosse 1.2.4, Letcher Ave. Lacrosse Club (3), Armed Forces Club (4), Cadet Staff (1.2.3), Black Claw, Posit Committee (1), Hop and Floor (2), ASCE (1.2.3) Activities Chairman (1), Dean's List, Stars, Hokie Used Clothing Committee, W.I.P.I.T.
What can you say about a guy who spends hundreds of nights in NEB tutoring BR's in an attempt to drag GPA'S out of the academic cellar to the unparalled heights of a 2.0? A few Southern Belles got pulled down the halls by Gumby Bear--And buzzing down I-64 for Westhampton with a Pinto full of brew will undoubtedly be implanted forever in the mind of Belly. There was never any questions on where to find Andy in the mornings, he'd sleep through anything, SRC, 1st CP, it didn't matter. There was never a more good natured and unselfish roommate, to that heart of gold with patience and wisdom, with a face like a newly born panda-bear I say thank-you, Tarrbelly.
I'll never forget you guys. Thank you Dad, Mom, Suzy, Jack, Jake, and Nancy. VMI--the deepest depression and greatest elevation I have ever known.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Al Rasper
Class of 1980 - Scott Berlin

Marc Joseph Thomas
"Spic, Pig Body, Pearls"
Broomall, Pennsylvania
English - Navy? Marines?
Cpl., Sgt., 1st Lt. E Co. XO; Pres. VMI Sports Parachute Club 2.1; Cross Country 2.1; Monogram Club 1; College Republicans 4; Intramural Boxing 4; PFT '300' Club 3.2.1; Marathon Man 1; Achieved Ultimate Pain Club 1; Ebony Club 4.3.2.1.
Striking out as a Rat Chemistry Major, the Pig Body struted his stuff into the limp wrist Dept. where he thought he found his true calling. Later, finding out he had no propensity nor the build to be an English Major, Marc allowed his bestial mein to emerge and threw himself at the mercy of our 'beloved' Armed Services. The Marines figuring they had the second coming of A.T. Mahan shipped our 'Fro Bro' to the Navy. The Navy had no place to put 'Chesty Thomas' so for 3 years our Armed Forces played ping pong with 'The Marathon Man'. Marc is only of the few people who gave more to the Corps than he took; his pearly white teeth, kinky hair, off white skin, and most of all warm friendship will never be forgotten among his classmates, his friendship and mostly the studs of 447 and 122. MO
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Matt Durr & Rich Leonard
Class of 1980 - Al Anderson





Timothy Kahle Thompson



Lewis Wheat Thorpe III



Chark Tingsabhat



David Edward Tippett



Glenn Allen Trimmer



Stephen Robert Turley



Thomas Spangler Underhill



John Michael Vizzi

Timothy Kahle Thompson
"T.K., Radar, Reb, Timbo"
Warrenton, Virginia
History - Navy
Cpl. 3, Sgt. 2, Lt. 1, President, Civil War Roundtable; Firefighters; New Market March; PSA Jogging Award; Robert E. Lee Fan Club; Red Cross "Gallon Bleeder"; NSI; Sallyport 37 Club.
He came out of Warrenton with a mouth full of Big Red, a tin of Skoal, a Rebel flag patch on his bib overalls, and a picture of Robert E. Lee in his pocket. Most of his B.R.'s know him as T. K. . . . most of the faculty knows him as RADAR. Nobody in the Sallyport 37 Club will forget that fatal Ring Figure Friday when T. K. turned into the great prize-fighter and squared off with his metal locker. Nor will we forget his war stories from the New Market march when he returned looking more like a blistered Indian than a Confederate hero, or when he was like a little kid at Christmas with his new corporal stripes. T. K. made some important decisions . . . changing to Greek Science and a History major, but one we couldn't understand was when our true Rebel roomie took a Yankee to Ring Figure. It's been a wild 3 years we won't forget. Good luck, B.R.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - William Ashby Shumate
Class of 1980 - Matthew Lee Keys

Lewis Wheat Thorpe III
Richmond, Virginia
Economics - Air Force
Soccer Manager 3; Corporal 3; Glee Club 4.3.2.1; Handball 2.1; Hop and Floor Committee 3.2.1; Private 4.3.1
Hailing from the glorious capital of the South, Richmond, he has come here to western Virginia poverty, known as the "I". He has found security and happiness in the confines of confinement. Lewis is the fun-loving roomy of John and Steve in the 108 Sleep Lab, with interests ranging from model building to T.V. with an occasional cracking of the text book. Lewis is a well known fountain of knowledge, especially in the lively arts. Lewis has been known to nurse a bottle of "Virginia Gentleman" through some pretty long nights-as though he was Dr. Thorpe, his original career aim. However the Yellow Road consoled this lad with "the highest F in the class."
DYKES: Class of 1974 - James Gilbert Pasco
Class of 1980 - Thomas D. Horan

Chark Tingsabhat
"Oriental Pride, Sulu, Mr. T."
Bangkok, Thailand
Electrical Engineer - Engineers
Pvt., Cpl., Regt. S-4 Sgt., 1st Bn S-4 Lt.; Dean's List; Soccer Team 4.3.2.1; Rugby; Track; VMI 3 year Award; Monogram Club; IEEE; Barracks Electrician.
The 'Pride of the Orient' arrived ready for action suite 421 in August 1973. After his Rat year of Soccer, Rugby, and Track stardom, the Pride began his 3rd class year sharing suite 364 with his legendary roommates - the Fleetwood and The White Bear. Rooming with them, the Pride had to become one of the hardest working man in the Corps. Continuing his Soccer and Rugby excellence, the Pride began to score on the Dean's List and to add chevrons to his sleeves. Pride lived in suite 164 his 2nd class year and enjoyed it so much he reserved it for his 1st Class year as well. Barracks Electrician became another of his duties as he continues to bust ass while kicking others.
Pride learned much about Americans and the American way and greatly enhanced his vocabulary by reading select magazines. The favorite times of Prides cadetship were those spent in Bangkok banging his Kok and chasing Nong. Words cannot express our Friendship but one of your female servants could. Good Luck.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Bill Faistenhammer
Class of 1980 - Jim O'Connor & Phil Logan

David Edward Tippett
"Dave, Tip, Zip It"
Columbus, Ohio
English-Infantry
Pvt.-4.3.1, Cpl.-3, Sgt.-2, Dean's List, Honor's Candidate, DMS, Glee Club-4.3.2.1-Secretary-2, Firefighters-3.2.1, Rat Training CO, Ring Design Committee, RFYL, Funky Dixie Landers, Mary Wash .50 Cal. Club, FOBS, Regimental Wood Puddy, Humanist
On thinking about the time that's passed since that fateful August day, I must admit I'm glad I came to VMI. I've had my tragedies and triumphs, but the latter out weighed the former: loves won then lost, courses failed then passed, dreams dashed then rekindled. Deep friendships were formed here - especially Rick, Jim, and Stu who have made this place bearable in the worst of times. Good Luck to them and all my BRs.
"If you can keep your hand when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you,
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
If you can dream-and not make dreams your master:
Yours is the Earth . . .
And-which is more-you'll be a Man, my son!"
Excerpts from Rudyard Kipling's "If"
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Kenneth Eugene Terry
Class of 1980 - Brian Montgomery

Glenn Allen Trimmer
Richmond, Virginia
History - Air Force
Football 4; Rugby 3; Sport Parachute Club 4; Civil War Roundtable 1,2,3,4; Vice President CWR 2; VMI Musket Squad; Glider Club 1,2; The Bar and Grill; Deans List 1,2,3; AFROTC Scholarship 1,2; Cpl. 3; Sgt. 2; Pvt. 1,4; Malvern Hill relic club 1,2; New Market March 2.
I have had the privilege of rooming with this rebel lad for 3 years. During this time, I have seen Trim selflessly dedicate himself to destroying the myth of Yankee victory. He has endlessly dug for Civil War relics indicating final Southern victory. How unfortunate that he found only dirty little potatoes which have cluttered up our spacious bar and grill. Although Trim failed in his quest, he has prepared himself for a bright future as a nickle-pickerupper. From the first day of Cadre, I knew Trim was destined to hold positions of great responsibility. Who could forget his midnight toilet inspections as corporal or his stint as guide sergeant when we won the most Misguided Company Award? Although Trim may be "a fair specimen of a citizen soldier", he is undoubtedly an excellent specimen of a Brother Rat. Glenn, good luck with Becky and the U.S. Air Force.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Henry W. Moncure
Class of 1980 - Keith Frazier, Dennis Loba

Stephen Robert Turley
"Steve, Turkey"
Houston, Texas
Chemistry - Air Force
Arnold Air Society 4.3.2.1; Commander 1; Firefighters 3.2.1; Band 4.3.2.1; Handball 3.2; Rat Training 1; American Chemical Society 3.2.1; Glee Club 4; Cpl. 3, Pvt. 4.2.1; Ring Figure Committee 2; 3rd Class Finance Committee 3; Operation Facelift
He came over to this part of the world to see if he could increase the game. After being put in place by a strange animal named cadre, Steve found other ways to 'breeze through' VMI. He started with Chemistry which required doing everything out of the usual, possibly even slaving over a book. As in conversation which may arise 'You room with who?' or 'You blew up what!' His popularity with the Air Force grew as king of the aviation scouts 'on campus'. We musn't forget his form of meditation on weeknights, especially every tuesday night. In his pursuit of achievements and wealth, Steve enjoys banging on the keys in Red Turners deli, or commonly known as La PX. But besides his natural drive for fun, he has proven himself a great guy and Brother Rat. As he will always remain!
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Dave Brown
Class of 1980 - Steve Andrews

Thomas Spangler Underhill
"Tommy", "UNS"
Dothan, Alabama
Civil Engineering - Army Corps of Engineers
Football 4; Swimming 4.3.2.1 (Co-captain); Monogram Club 1,2,3,4; ASC 1,2,3; The Cadet Newspaper 1,2; Pvt. 1,2,3; Cpl. 2
". . . what did they get from the weekend besides a hangover and a zero on Monday's physics quiz?" --editorial in the VMI CADET.
Als a cadet why he came to VMI, and three out of every four answers will the knee-jerk response, "I don't know . . ." Tommy answers that way, too; the odd thing is that he really doesn't know. But whatever that reason may have been, it brought a certain firm gentility North from Atlanta that we might never have known otherwise. Uns is a southern gentleman of the old school, without being pompous or vain. He is an outstanding athlete, without being overbearing. He is a valued and respected friend, without being presumptuous. Tommy is one of the finest men around.
"Would you buy a used car from this man?" --modern colloquialism.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Clyde Richardson, Jim Wikinson
Class of 1980 - John Blankinship, Dave Shean

John Michael Vizzi
"Killer"
Fredericksburg, Virginia
Biology - Air Force
Wrestling 4.3.2.1; Track 1 year
In my 4 years at VMI I have seen many of my classmates reach the status of manhood. I cannot say that these years have been enjoyable, but they have been informative. I have learned to check my food for roaches before eating, how to bitch, and how to get around undersirable alternatives. *YES*, VMI has prepared us for life! It will probably be many years before I truly understand what I have learned here, but just serviving this place assures me, I can survive anything. May the ideals you hold so dearly now still glisten in your future and not become tarnished.
John M. Vizzi
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Allen Vicory
Class of 1980 - Walter B. Wood





William Mark Waldrop



David Lawson Wallenborn



William Allen Waters, Jr.



Kurt Weidenthal II



Stanley Tzu-Chien Wen



Stephen Allen Werner



Robert Emmett Whalen



Joseph William White

William Mark Waldrop
"Mark, Drop, Sugar Bear, Mother"
Montpelier, Virginia
Civil Engineer - Engineers
A.S.C.E. (1,2,3,4), Cross Country (4), Track (4), Swimming Team (1), Glee Club (4), Private (4,2,1), Corporal (3), S.A.M.E. (2), Dean's List
A great Brother Rat? Absolutely! A great friend? For sure! A great friend? No question about it! And much more. Mark and I have been friends since the first day and only grew closer as the days went bye. No one at the "I" could ever speak a bad word about Mark. Everyone loves the "Sugar Bear". Mark's biggest hardship wasn't coming to VMI, but to leave his beautiful family for the first time, the parents of their only son, and the finest two people on this earth. Mark will never forget his late study, adventure, Robin, 16 Candles, pizza, Billy, Wes, and "The Wop". In academics, Mark wasn't a wizz, but what he lacked in intellegence he made up for in dedication.
Whatever the future will bring Mark, I know that his spirit and determination will allow him to succeed in whatever he'll do.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Stu Childress
Class of 1980 - Dusty Boyd and Jeff Johnson

David Lawson Wallenborn
"Big Walley"
Roanoke, Virginia
Economics-Armor
S.M.L. Four Man Diving Team, E.S.U., Pres. Ski Club 76/77; Athletic Trainer 74/75, THE #1 Club.
A native Virginian, David could have chosen any school in the state. Luckily for us, "Big Wally" became our brother rat at the Big "I". It was rough at first for David to adjust to the VMI system. However, through the efforts of the memorable Col. Dillard, David found his first true friend. When it appeared Wally might not return the following year, it was Col. Dillard responding once again to moral support by touring Europe with Wally. Likewise, on a sorrowful day when DoDo passed away while teaching, David was close by. All was not lost though, for Wally had endured the system and had become a man. A dedicated student, still it was common to hear Wally say "Let's head for Hollins today". I'm glad the opportunity to room with "Big Wally". No doubt, he will be successful in whatever field he endeavors.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - John Smithy
Class of 1980 - Peter Petrman, Tom Jackson

William Allen Waters Jr.
"Allen, Al"
Virginia Beach, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Civilian
Cpl. 3, Pvt. 4,2,1; College Republicans; VMI Soaring Club, American Society of Civil Engineers.
Al is one of the few guys I know who came to VMI as a History major and left as a CE. Allen was also once a Zoomie, but somewhere along the line he was transformed into a civilian. He also enjoyed taking his day and a half weekends to Va. Beach though I still wonder how he got there during his 2nd and 3rd class years, but with that disguise there was no way anyone would recognize him in his car. I know he can't forget two of our many trips to Mother's and all those 3 mile runs. Allen also had a knack for racking out in full class dyke except for shoes and hat. However, during his 3rd class year Allen proved to be a far better roommate than what we had our 3rd and 2nd class years. Right Chuck?
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Samuel C. Powell
Class of 1980 - Dwight Dutton

Kurt Weidenthal III
"Weed"
Fayetteville, N.C.
English-Artillery
Rat Typist, JV Basketball, Firefighters (2,3), Hop and Floor Committee (1,2,3) Lejeune Hall Cdt. ASS. (1,2,3), English Society (2,3), President English Soc. (1), CADET Sports Staff (2) Ass. Sports Editor CADET (1), Straight Pool Champ '76, Handball Div. II Champ '76, Sport's Information Staff, Cpl, Sgt, Dean's List (75,76), DMS.
One of the few cadets ever to enter VMI who already had the qualities he was supposed to get here. Kurt continued his education as a total person and has become one of the finest and most conscientious persons I have ever met. A born leader, organizer, manager, persuader, salesman, and student, Weed has had a hand in many activities at the school. His record will show that he has performed and earned the enviable title of a "Man". Together we have studied, worried, complained, laughed, cried, "boogied", and grown UP . . . . And it has become evident that Weed is a man that I am proud to call my friend. After a difficult journey through a long 4 years, one thing has become certain about Kurt. He is a man who has cut his own mold, and it is one mold that should never be broken.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Lane Toomey
Class of 1980 - Robert Cadmus, William J. Melvin

Stanley Tzu-Chien Wen
"Stan"
Taipei, Republic of China
Electrical Eingineering-Artillery
Cpl. (3), Handball (3,2), Tennis (1), Member of the Institute of E.E., Inc. (2,1)
Stan is the fourth generation to come to VMI. His grandfather was a Lt. Gen. in the Chinese Army. His father is a Maj. Gen. now. Perhaps, he will be a Gen. after all.
Military training and a heartless EE Dept. were only two of many obstacles which Stan surmounted. Now he is a tough guy from the big "I". He can go far no matter which direction he takes.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - William Pennypacker
Class of 1980 - Donald (Porky) Meyer

Stephen Allen Werner
"Big Daddy, Rawhide"
Richmond, Virginia
Civil Engineering
Football;Rugby; President Number One Club, Sir Edmund Hillary Club
Big Daddy breezed through the arch. The ultimate free spirit, only to have his style cramped:
Rat Year: 3 Months E.C.
3rd Class: 4 Months Driving on Post (Marian) Suspended
AWOL
2nd Class: Returned to Finis#1
1st Class: Did all of the above and never got caught.
Daddy picked splinters for two years before moving on to a man who knew how to win. However he didn't leave bitter, he stood in line to contribute his dollar to send Thalman to Coaching School. We found out he used the money for dinner one night. What a bummer. Rugby parties were the life; however life got rough. In two years of Rugby, Daddy had a broken nose, lost a front tooth, seperated and broke his Shoulder, and finally broke several fingers. Thanks Mom, Dad, and Mr. Ferebee. I love you Marian.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Craig "the snapper" Carlock
Class of 1980 - Pat McCarthy, Dave "Mouse" Hageman

Robert Emmett Whalen
"Staten Island Perry, Duke, Ace"
Staten Island, New York
Civil Engineering - Air Force
Pvt. 4, Cpl. 3, Sgt. 2, Lt. 1; Arnold Air Society 4,3; American Chemical Society 4,3; ASCE 1, S-5 Staff, 2; Aggressors 2,1; Lejeune Hall Assistant 2,1; Dean's List; Rat Disciplinary Committee Secretary 1; Publications Board 2; The "Bros" 3,2,1; The Hog Boys of 348, 4
The Duke came to the "Big I" from the "Big Apple" bringing with him a sense of humor and cynicism all his own. Lexington and the Instaroot were quite a change, but, as an integral member of the Hog Boys and the Bros, Bob has managed to see the lighter side of barracks life (trucking, beer runs, parties). It was a long road from company commander's dyke to corporal and an USAF scholarship, to sergeant and Ring Figure with the Bros and then to Greensboro, to lieutenant and RDC Secretary. However, the success has been tempered by disappointments, especially thanks to the USAF. Bob has been many things to different people, but to those who really know him, Brother Rat is more than just a category to which he belongs. Bob, the boys are behind you all the way. Give 'em hell, Brother Rat!
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Joseph J. Verdi
Class of 1980 - William Joseph Belkoski

Joseph William White
"Joe, Whit"
Boston Massachusetts
English - Navy
Varsity Baseball, Monogram Club, Armed Forces Club, Graduated in 4 Years, Cadet Pvt. 4,2, Cadet Cpl. 3, Cadet Lt. 1 Soaring Club.
Well I can't believe my four years are over but they are and in all honesty I can say that they've been memorable ones in all respects. I've met some really great guys here and wish them the best of luck. In particular Rob, who shared in my reminiscences of the past as well as some wild times at the "I" and of course I'll never forget the two other members of the immortal "Cruds"of 168, Rich and Rod and our insanity which has made my years here unforgettable. Finally I'd like to dedicate my four years at V.M.I. to my family, particularly my mother and father, for all the patience and faith they've shown in me throughout my education. I'll be forever grateful.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Gary Freedman
Class of 1980 - Dennis Maguire, Bruno Loefstedt





Frederic Bennett Wiggins



Ronald Edwin Wilkosz



Dirk Howard Williams



John Jerrold Willison, Jr.



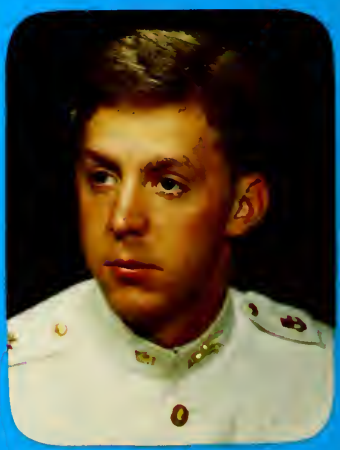
Michael Louis Wilson



Robert Case Wilson



Terence E. Wolfe



Steven Frederick Woodis

Frederic Bennett Wiggins
"Treads, Fred"
Cherry Hill, New Jersey
History - Armor
International Relations Club; Tanker Platoon Sargent; Civil War Round Table; S-5 Tour Guide; Symposium Chairman; New Market "Sore-Feet" Marchers; Foot Committee; Bicentennial Color Guard.
A trip to New York, Nora, and that room with Ramezani, Floyd, and Godsey. The "Lion in Winter Award" and Karen Ann in Pittsburg. The Junior Miss Pageant, Allison and the Bicentennial Color Guard. An Ac. Pro. trip to Philadelphia, Linda. Mid-Winters and Karen Ann. A class weekend to Boston and Linda, Greensboro. Then 4 days and 86 miles of "Pain, Pain, Pain is good, extreme pain is extremely good." Mike Guthrie and "Those poor cows . . ." This just began the summer's War of Northern Aggression.
Seven battles later the banner returned to school and was replaced by the 37th N.C.V. at Cold Harbor and Moorefield West Va.
"How about a march to McDowell?" Look for the same group of Nuts this time too.
Summer Camp, Reserve Commission and Kathy.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Sam Mattocks
Class of 1980 - Mike Harper

Ronald Edwin Wilkosz
"Wooz"
Broadview Heights, Ohio
Civil Engineering - Armor
Football 4,3,2,1; Monogram Club; Baseball; MOB; ASCE 1
The 'Polish Bullet' came to VMI armed with kielbasi and perogi's ready to take on the 4 year battle at VMI. The struggle was made easier with friends like Float, Boog, Crease, Queenie, Bill, Bodeen, Doublewide and an occasional visit by two wrecks from Georgia Tech. A big win over ECU, April Jam, and UVA Easters with Bonehead and my lovely groupies were a few high points in my stay at VMI. Super Summer '76, The Lodge, Foxland Beer, and a B in Thermo were all made possible by a 4-F knee. Losing a good friend 'Hedda' was a low blow, but taking the good with the bad is part of the battle. Finally, thank you Detroit for the Blue 'Bomber' and may the Big T find a replacement for Richard Todd.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Jim Garten
Class of 1980 - George 'G-Bo' Bosu

Dirk Howard Williams
"Dirk", "Shylock"
Annandale, Virginia
English-Infantry
Pvt. (4,3,2,1) Sport Parachute Club (3,4) Gliding Club (2) VMI Firefighters (4) AUSA (1,2) Civil War Round Table (1,2,3) CWR Musket Squad (2,3,1) New Market march (2) Karate Club (1,2,3) Cadet Museum Asst.
When Dirk first came to the VMI he thought he was headed for U. Va. Little did he know how fascinating Calculus could be. So fascinating that he would spend four joy-filled semesters working over integrals, differentials and other concepts of great use to the average English major. Dirk proved his worth as a member of the Rm. 298 terrorist society. As a second he showed great leadership as a member of the 2nd Battalion Staff. He survived the battles of New Market, Culps Hill and Gettysburg as a member of the VMI Musket Squad. Thru all this Dirk has remained a true Bro and an excellent roommate. G.A.T. J.D.C. P.S. Thanks to my parents for their patience my sisters for their support, and to the BR's and two Roommates; Glen-Boy and Sluggo for a lot of good times at the big "I".
DYKES: Class of 1974 - John Kaniss and Don Whitten
Class of 1980 - Mike Knapp and Mark Becker

John Jerrold Willison Jr.
"Big John, Stick"
Gahanna, Ohio
Economics - Civilian
Football 4,3,2,1; Track (Indoor, Outdoor) 4,3,2,1; Cpl 3; Pervert Court 3,2,1; National Lineman of the Week; Root Cellar 4,3,2,1; Monogram Club 4,3,2,1; BMF forever Special Student; Who's who among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
I came to VMI with visions of stars and stripes, and glory. Over the years the stars and stripes have faded some, but the glory hasn't tarnished. Rat year was an experience, but not to be relived again; 3rd Class brought the 'Root Cellar' Room 322, Kro, Rod, track trips, football glory and Big Bato to the 'I'. Johnny P., Mac, Jerry, Jimmy, Sam, great friends to be lost, later, to various things. 2nd Class year brought my ring and also disillusion. A hard year for the 'Stick'. Overcoming that year brings Ed, Heimbruger, and me into the last lap of this bazaar marathon and all the pencilnecks leading the way with 3x5's. On to bigger and better things. Events have happened, good and bad, but all shall be valued. My quest has touched many different areas and brought with them new friends. Each helping in their own way to enrich my life whether they know it or not. All in all it's been worth it, or so they say. Ask me in a couple of years for what it's worth.
DYKES: Clas of 1974 - Steve Lowder
Class of 1980 - Dave Sarkus & Jeff 'Ben Grimm' Morgan

Michael Louis Wilson
"Mormon, Hey You, Mike"
Salt Lake City, Utah
History - Armor
Pvt., Cpl., Sgt., 2nd Lt.; Dean's List 1,2,3,4; Ring Figure Chairman, Academic Stars 1,2; Debate Team, 3,4; DMS; Victim of Super Summer '76; Member & VP of the PX Club; BCUA; SSH Late Study Club; PI Club.
On August 22, 1973, a young man of high moral fibre and great aspirations matriculated at VMI. Then, I met Mike Wilson and things went to_____, Oh Well! That was three years ago. Mike hasn't changed a bit, but he's made some on me. From those first tentative runs to the PI to the elevator ride at Howard-Johnson's, Mike has been the best 'drinking-buddy' you could ask for. But, he's been more - he's become a life-long friend, someone who I respect greatly and I'm sure my opinion is shared by the rest of our class - our class, whose welfare and success Mike has put above all other loyalties. (After all, what other class has thrown an $11,000 Ring Figure and made a profit on the deal?)
Mike had great success here, and the future looks just as bright. Good Luck, Buddy!
DYKES: Class of 1974 - John C. Hunter
Class of 1980 - Steve 'Wop' Viscanti, Mike 'Boy' Collier

Robert Case Wilson
"Bob, R.C. Piggy"
Roanoke, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Army
Rifle Team 4; Lacrosse Team 3,2,1; Member A.S.C.E. 4,3,2,1
Upon the 22nd of August 1973 I walked on this campus afraid and seemingly alone, not knowing what to expect. I didn't really know what to think about college or my future. It has been a long hard road of academics, but a memorable one of fun with friends. I have made a lot of friends which I will truly remember through out my life. I feel that upon leaving the 15th of May 1977, I have accomplished something in my life and will always remember V.M.I. and the class of 1977.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Francis Xavier Furlong II
Class of 1980 - Robert Bentley Gore

Terence E. Wolfe
"Terry"
Sarasota, Florida
Civil Engineering - Engineers
Football 4; Wrestling 4; Rugby 4,3,2,1; Hop & Floor 4,3; ASCE 3,2,1; Cpl. 3, Sgt. 2, Capt. 1; DMS; Dean's List; Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.
VMI is a remarkable place and to look at Terry Wolfe's cadetship is to say remarkable for many reasons. One is that he is graduating from here and not U. of C. The second is that he finally outranks his roommate, and the third he met a girl which loves him. All of these things have been combined along with Rat football and countless rugby injuries to give the world an outstanding VMI graduate and a hell of an engineer. About all one can finally say is 'AIRBORNE' to you Terry Wolfe, we all hope you make it through 4 years of Army life and become that engineer you really want to be.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - Chuck Cayton
Class of 1980 - Robert Jones

Steven Frederick Woodis
"Woody, Pierre, Oscar, Frenchie, Pumpkin, Lonesome Valley Jr."
Purcellville, Virginia
Modern Languages (French)-Armor
Varsity Football 3,4; College Young Republicans Club 3,4; Rugby 1; CADET Newspaper Staff 1; Run for Your Life 3; Lejeune Hall Cadet Assistant 1; Private 1,2,3,4; Corporal 3; "The Ghetto" 1,3; Weightlifting 1, The Riviera 2; "Number One Club" 1,3.
Steve entered the "I" with many expectations four years ago and lived up to quite a few of them. For two years, "Woody", as he was known to all, played for the "Big Red" behind "Mean Gene" and still remembers the 6 ft. 3 in. 240 lb. tight end from Georgia Tech. After his Rat year, Woody was to leave the "I" in his Ring Figure year to study in France. "Pierre" as Woody was now called, played the international playboy and sometimes student roles quite well. One bad liver can prove this. However, the year in France didn't really change Woody as he could still project "Beat's" destiny.
Woody has been a good friend of all of us and we in the Ghetto will never forget you. God Bless "Pierre" and Nancy and will see you in Amsterdam.
DYKES: Class of 1974 - John R. Welsh
Class of 1980 - Tom Mikle, Fred Winkler

Mark Abernathy



Ed Anderson



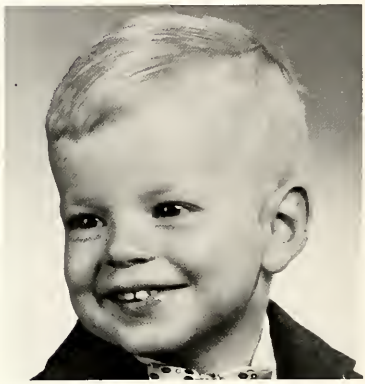
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Bill Anderson



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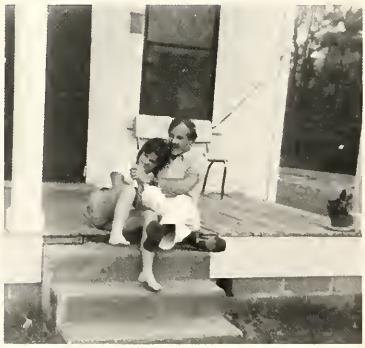
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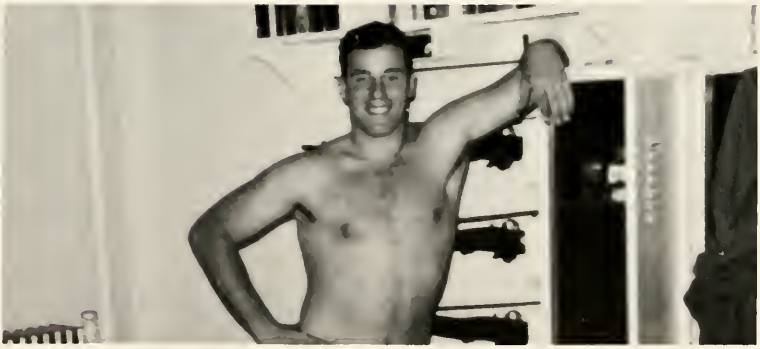
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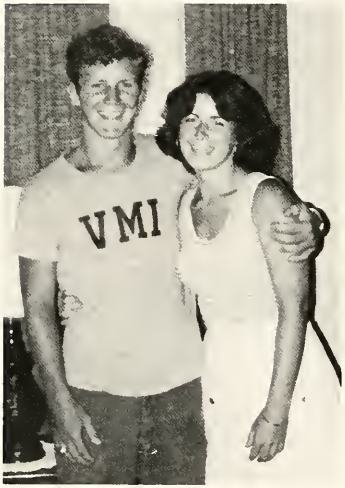
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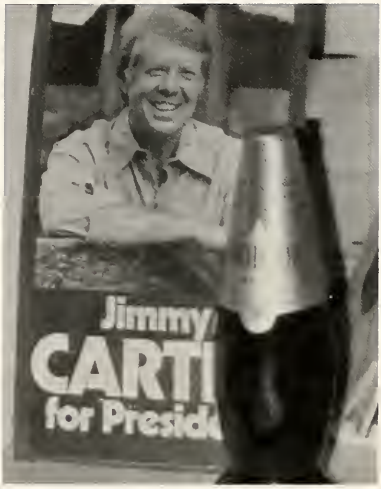
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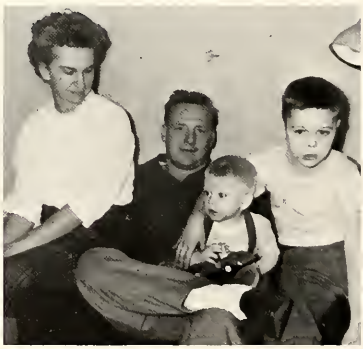
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Bill Harlow



Jim Hamilton



Randy Hartley



Bob Hartzell



Gary Haste



Jerry Haste



Larry Heim



Steve Heinrich



John Hobbs



Mike Horn



Bill Holzgrefe



Bob Houser



The Howells



Jim Hugar



Ken Hutton



Mark Hunt



John Johnson



George Kalaris



Eric Hutchings



Rich Humenuck



Kerry Keach



Bill Hupp



Sid Huguenin



Rick Joslyn



Dave Kelly



Stu Kinniburgh



Steve Kelly



Kevin Knotts



Dennis Kocik



Mike Korolevich



Mick Lafferty



John Krovic



Steve Kuklin



Erich Kurre



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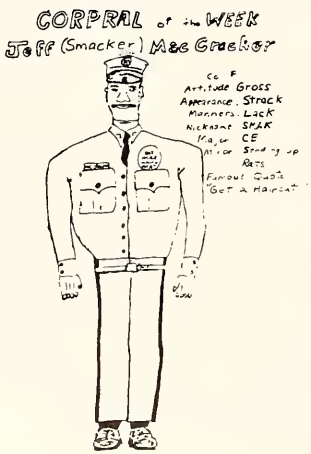
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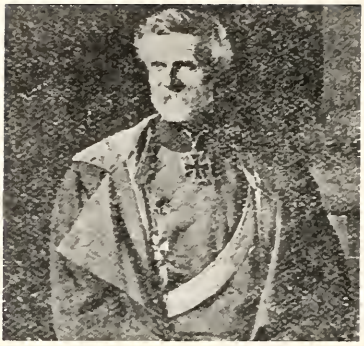
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Jeff McCracken



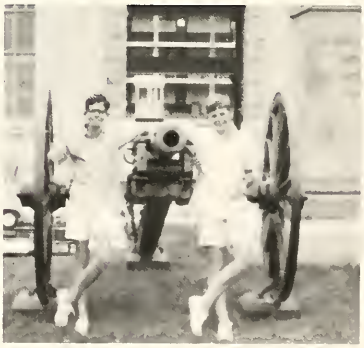
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John Moore



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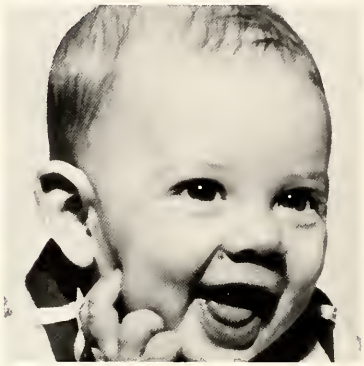
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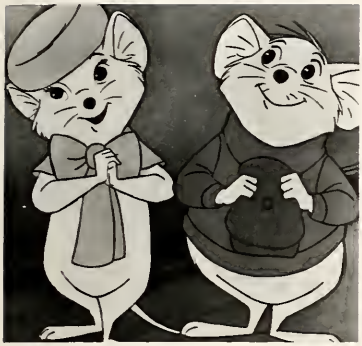
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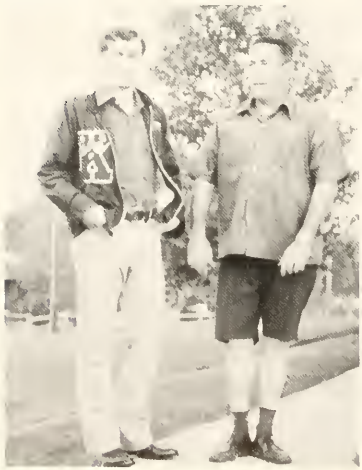
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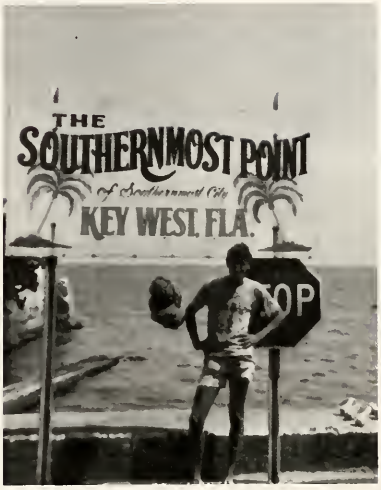
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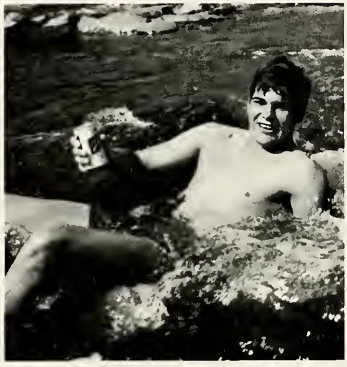
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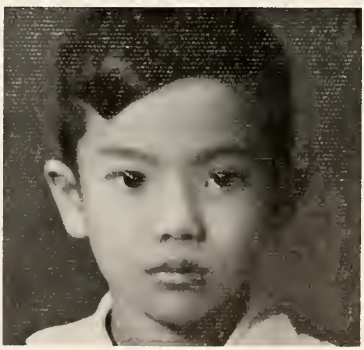
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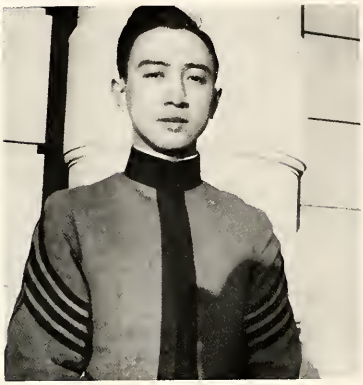
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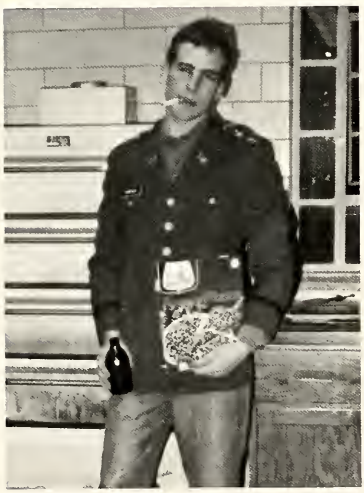
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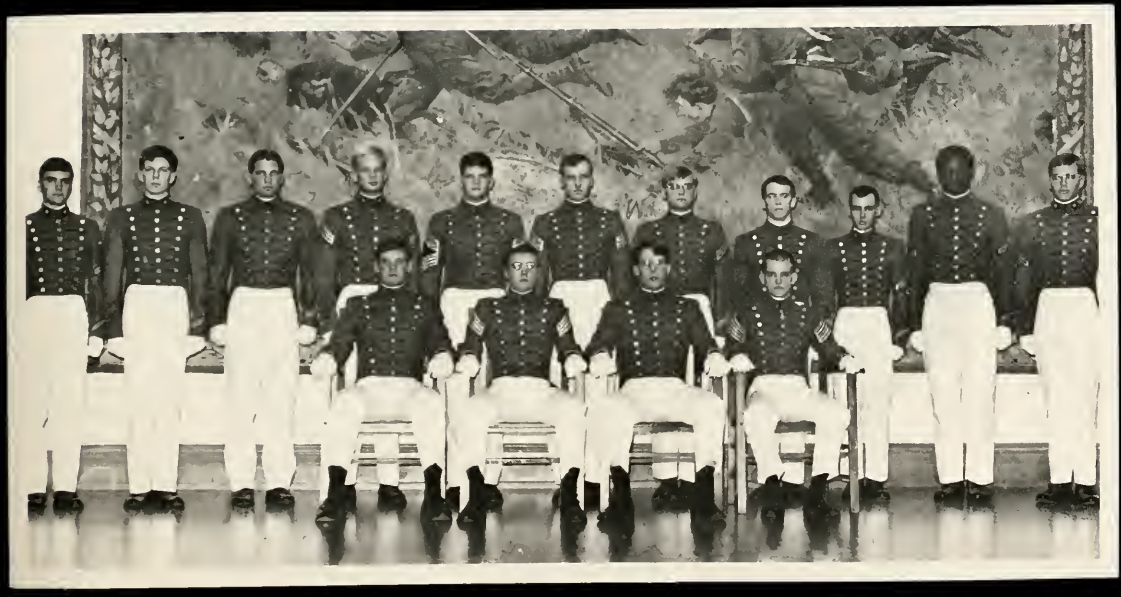
CORPS

THE HONOR COURT



seated, right to left;
Michael W. Brown — President
Robert J. Houser — Vice President
standing, right to left;
Michael Joe Freeman — Prosecutor
Wesley W. Naff, III — Prosecutor

The sense of honor which is ingrained in us at V.M.I. is the most valuable aspect of heritage we receive during our four years. The Honor System is not just a set of rules—it is a way of life which pervades every activity in the life of a VMI man. The real strength of the Honor Code, however, lies within each member of the Corps, without whose strong support and unswerving allegiance the Honor Code could not exist. The Honor Court is not a corrective organization. Its primary function is to try violations of the Honor Code, and secondarily to form policies for the application of honorable conduct. The Court represents the Honor Code, but the Corps embodies the Code. It belongs to every VMI man—present, past, and future—and it is his individual responsibility to uphold this Code. The Honor System is an affair between the individual and his Honor. If, at V.M.I., we have realized nothing else but an appreciation of honor, then our four years here have not been wasted. At a time when many other Honor Systems nationwide have altered their codes of honorable conduct to suit the individual, the V.M.I. Honor System has remained uncompromised in its expectations of an honorable man.



seated, right to left; Michael Freeman, Michael Brown, Robert Houser, Wesley Naff, III. standing, right to left; Wainscott Putney, Glen Jones, James Leech, Michael Dick, C. Jesse Gearhart, Richard Humenuck, Fredrick Hagreen, III, I. Thomas Orrell, Michael Dronen, David Colonna, Gregory Gearhart.

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Regimental Commander—Stephen L. Neas II
Regimental XO—John D. Johnson
Regimental S-1—Thomas J. DeSalvo
Regimental S-3—Frederick H. Hagreen
Regimental S-4—Michael L. Parish
Regimental S-5—John C. Coe
Regimental S-5 Lieutenant—Wallace G. Cox

REGIMENTAL AND COLOR SGTS



Timothy J. DeSalvo
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William P. Leavenworth
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FIRST BATTALION



STAFF

Battalion Commander—Michael J. Freeman
Battalion S-1—Steven M. Gallahan
Battalion S-3—Robert M. Devens
Battalion S-4—Chark Tingsabhat
Battalion S-5—William H. Martin

SECOND BATTALION



STAFF

Battalion Commander—Donald S. Browder
Battalion S-1—Kimber L. Latsha
Battalion S-3—Clyde W. Paris
Battalion S-4—Jeffrey A. McCracken
Battalion S-5—Mark O. Hunt

ALPHA



Kerry Keach—Company Commander
Elmo Burks—Executive Officer
Michael Korolevich—Second Lieutenant
Ed Anderson—Second Lieutenant
Joe Bright—Second Lieutenant
Michael Guthrie—Second Lieutenant
Ned Riester—First Sergeant
John Whitmer—Master Sergeant



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Bill Reichelt
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Hobie Andrews
Larry Martin
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Chuck Berry
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Jeff Reynolds
Newby Mauck
Greg Leck
Hank Bungay



BRAVO



Kim Rose—Company Commander
Steve Kelly—Executive Officer
Mark Bryant—Second Lieutenant
Walter Camper—Second Lieutenant
Stephen Heinrich—Second Lieutenant
Rick Joslyn—Second Lieutenant
Scott Putney—First Sergeant
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Bob Manteuffel—Second Lieutenant
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Mike Horn—Second Lieutenant
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Larry Heim
Tommy Cole
Fred Wiggins
Bobby McQueen
Steve Bouchard
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John Hamilton
Larry Foltz
Carmine Corvasce



DELTA C



Richard Humenuck—Company Commander
Bob Atkinson—Executive Officer
Chuck Conner—Second Lieutenant
Joe White—Second Lieutenant
Elliott Ruhland—Second Lieutenant
Eric Letendre—Second Lieutenant
Paul Freeland—First Sergeant
Dave Gray—Master Sergeant



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J. J. Marshall
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FOXTRO



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Bill Liles—Executive Officer
Mike Wilson—Second Lieutenant
Mike Smith—Second Lieutenant
Randy Hartley—Second Lieutenant
Mike Conaway—Second Lieutenant
Bont Tulbert—First Sergeant
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Bob Caudle
Dale Carr
Bill Sangtinette



BAND C



Bob Houser—Company Commander
Van Ardan—Executive Officer
Bob Whalen—Second Lieutenant
Bill Short—Second Lieutenant
Jesse Gearhart—Second Lieutenant
Rich Howell—Drum Major
Greg Gearhart—First Sergeant
Allen Moore—Master Sergeant



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Ray Pietruzka
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WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES





Back row: John S. Daniel III, Terrence E. Wolfe, Charles J. Gearhart, John R. Cutright, Michael W. Brown, John R. Robertson, John J. Willison, Frederick H. Hagreen III, Robert S. Sherrerd, Pongsak Pullsuk. Third row: William E. Bynum III, Richard A. Benavides, Colin S. McKenzie, Christopher L. Manno, Augustus Robbins IV. Second row: Kimber L.



This year twenty seven members of the First Class have been honored by being chosen to represent the Virginia Military Institute in this year's edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. These men were selected by a board of representatives composed of faculty members and the Corps of Cadets for having demonstrated their leadership and excellence in academics, athletics, extracurricular activities, citizenship, and service to the Institute. The Class of 1977 believes that these men are the Institute's best. To these twenty seven - CONGRATULATIONS!



Latsha, Yanyong Phataralaoha, Mark A. Halfacre, Michael E. Dick, Donald S. Browder. First row: Eric J. Letendre, Michael J. Freeman, Jeffrey A. McCracken, Stephen L. Neaa II, Kerry W. Keach, Michael L. Parish. Not pictured Robert L. Manteuffel.





UNDERCLASS

Greg Beck—President
John Bowman—Vice-president
Pete Dillon—Historian



CLASS OF 1978





In an attempt to record the story of our class we must attempt to capture the ever elusive idea, symbol, or characteristic that best reveals the true nature of the Class of 1978. This idea is best represented in the words of William Shakespeare, we are a "Band of Brothers". During this past Year there has been a tremendous acceleration in academic endeavors, athletic prowess and military development in so many members of our class. It is this inclusion of talent that gives our class its wild and free spirit, its energetic life, its courage to stand as a group — a Band of Brothers.

We are all leaders of individuality yet examples of unity. Through our diversity we share a common bond: our Ring. It is a symbol of pride. Seated in Jackson Memorial Hall on November 19 our Rings were presented in true V.M.I. tradition followed by a celebration that will live in our hearts forever. Our Ring is a link to the past, a symbol of the present and a key to the future.

Our final year looms ahead. With great responsibilities to the Corps and Barracks and an even greater responsibility to ourselves, we must put our best foot forward. We must set and reach our goals then set new goals. We are a proud and honorable Band of Brothers.

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Buchanan, Va.

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New Paris, Ohio

William Henry Atwill Jr.
Richmond, Va.

Ollie Wilson Ayers
Miami, Fla.

Craig Francis Badalaty
Belford, N.J.



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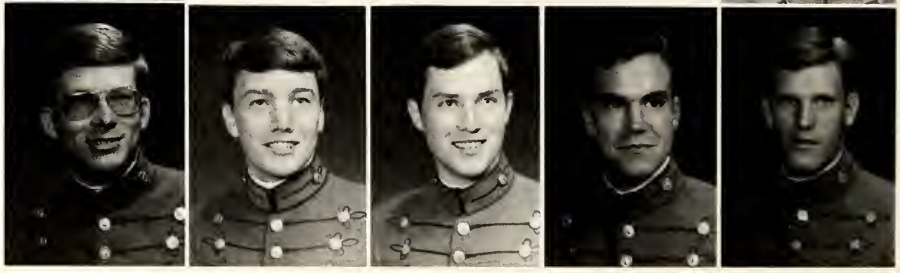
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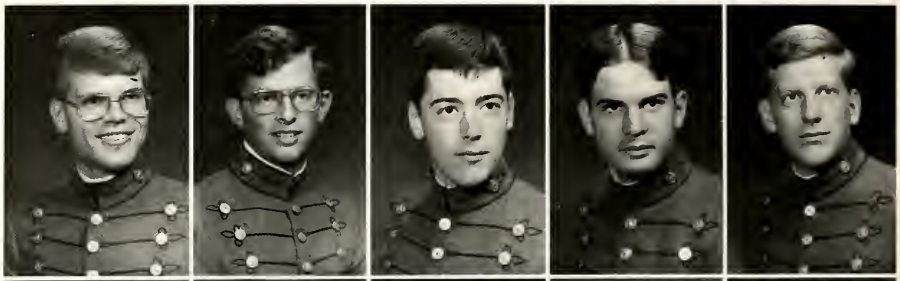
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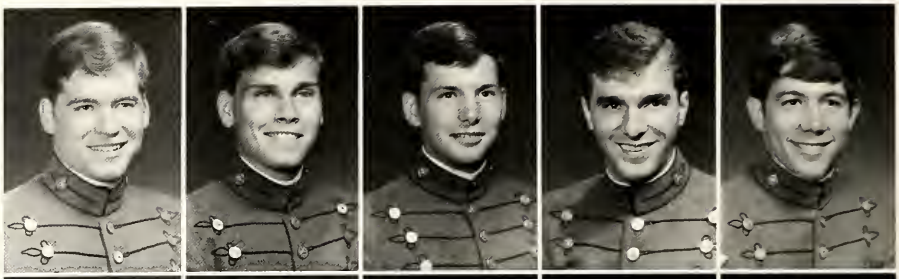
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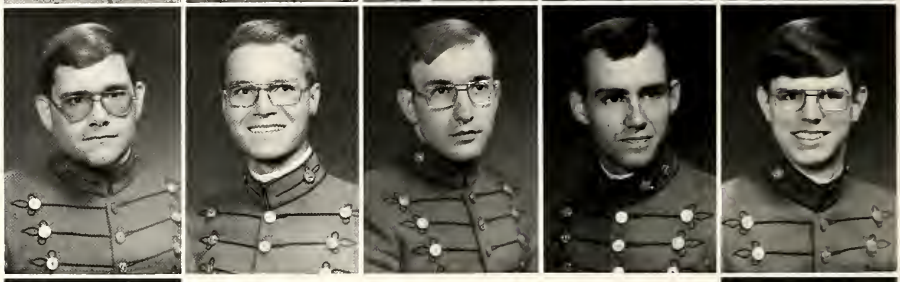
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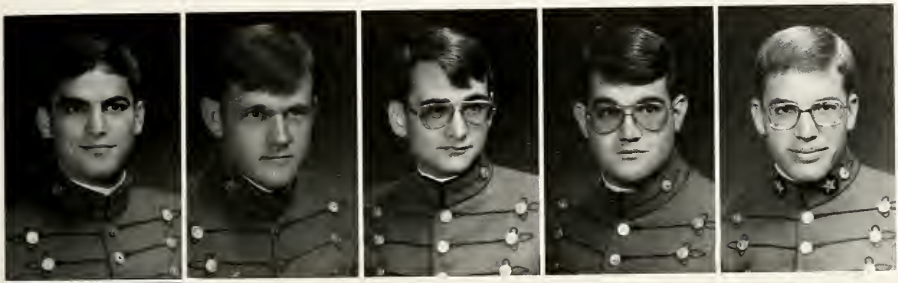
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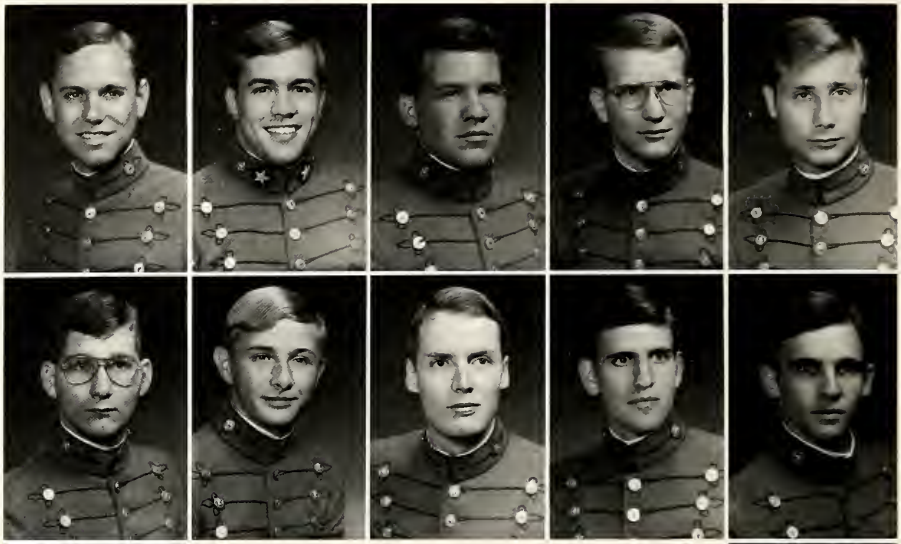
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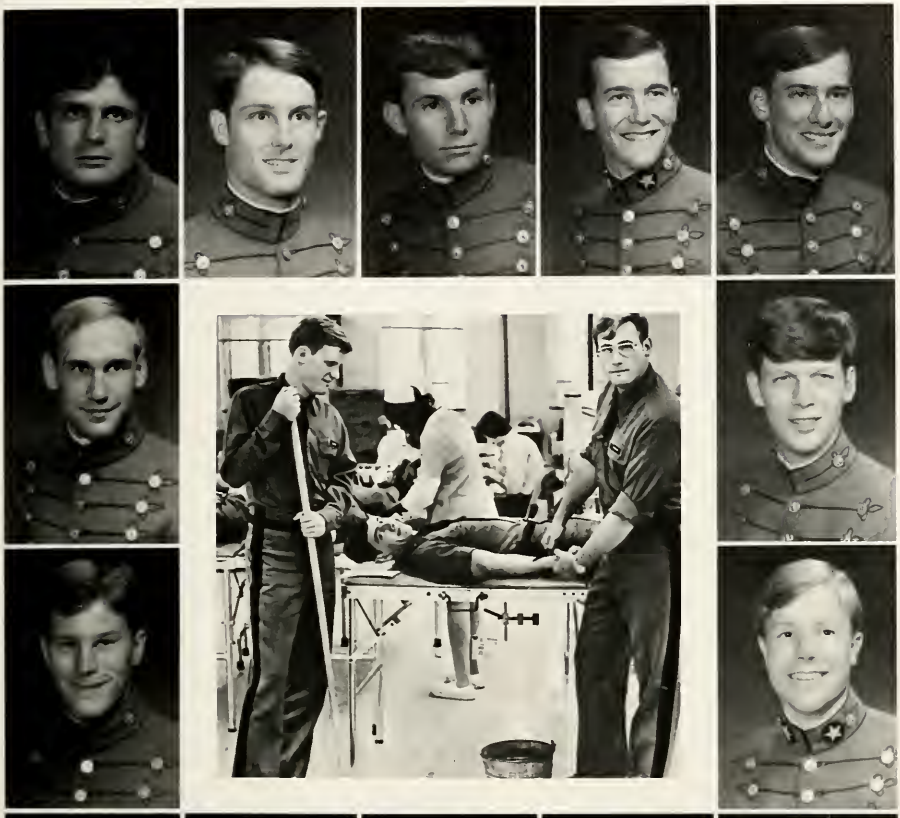
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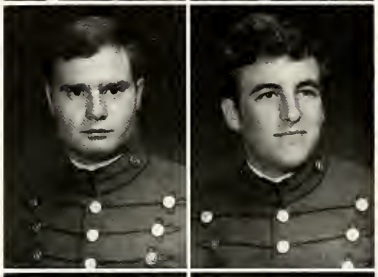
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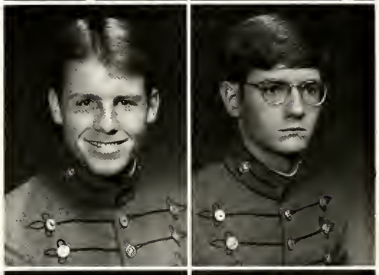
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The Class of 1979

On that fateful day in August, 431 dissimilar individuals came to the "I" all having one thing in common, a fear of the unknown. These individuals struggled through 161 days of what many considered to be the toughest Ratline in many years. Each of us went through our own personal Hell while sharing the problems of 430 others. Though some did not make it, most of us joined together and pulled ourselves through this ordeal.

After January 27, 1976, an even greater test fell upon us: academics. Where the Ratline did not deplete our ranks, academics did. Many sleepless nights were spent studying organic, statics, and economics. Now many of us realize the reality and banality of life at the Institute.

As our Third Class year comes to a close, all eyes are looking toward Ring Figure '79.

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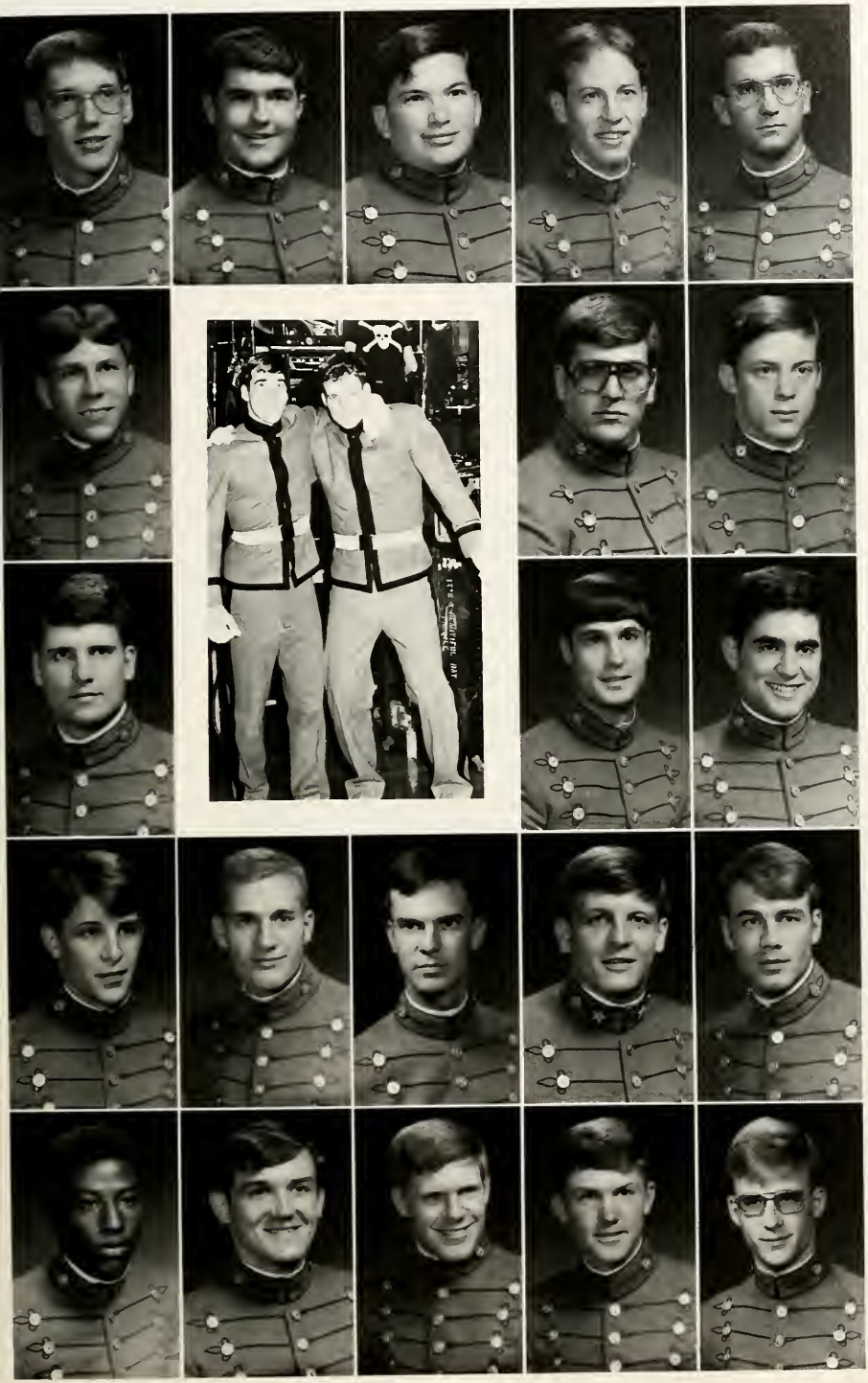
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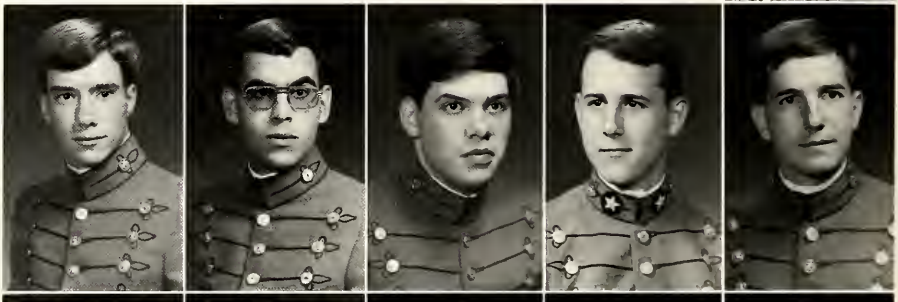




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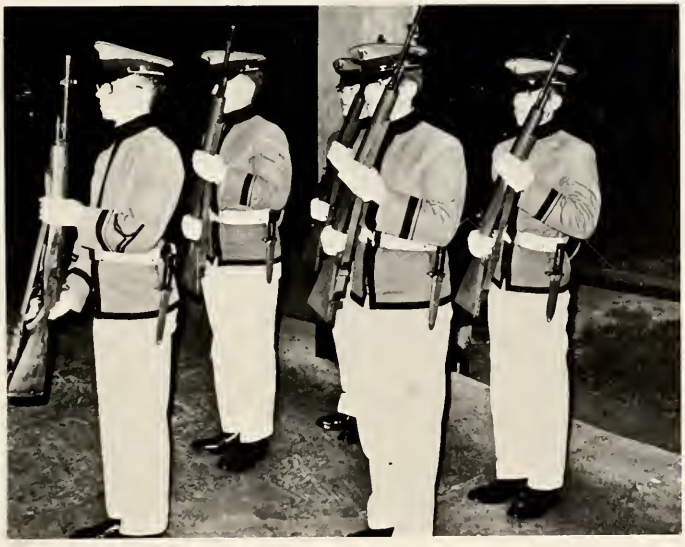


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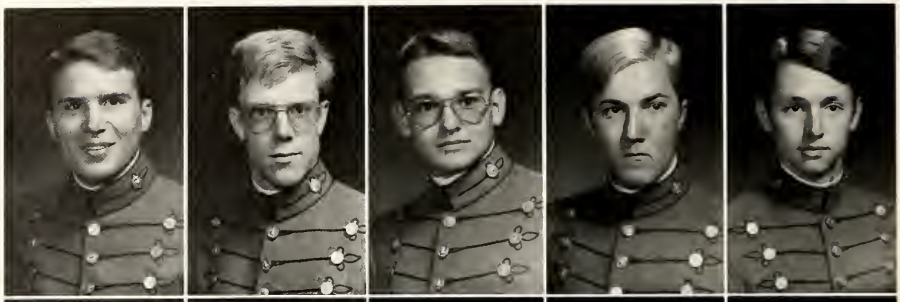
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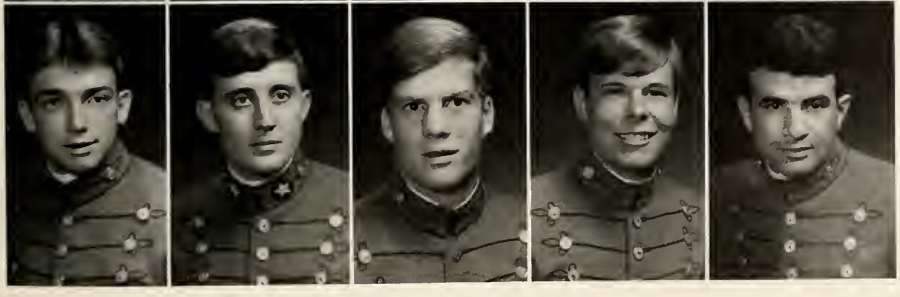




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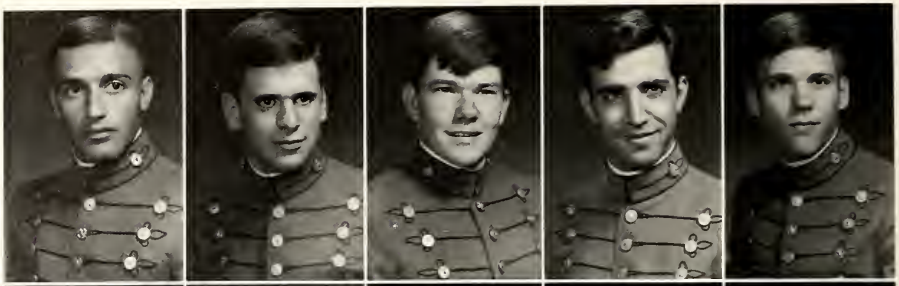
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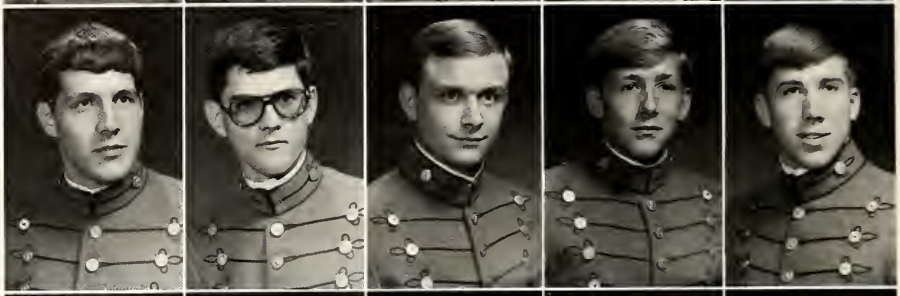
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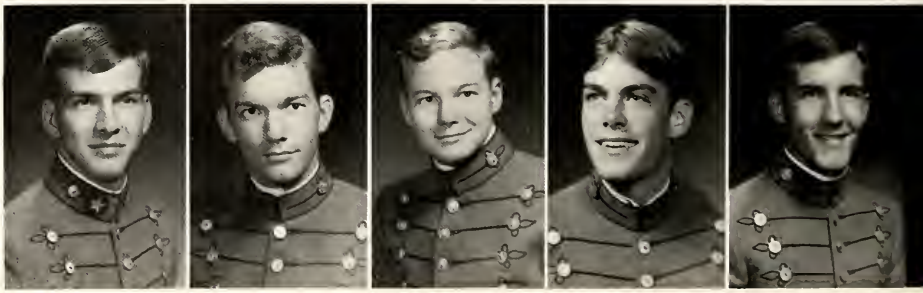
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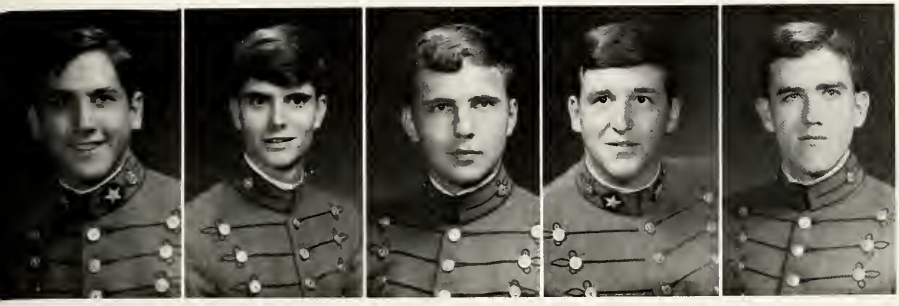
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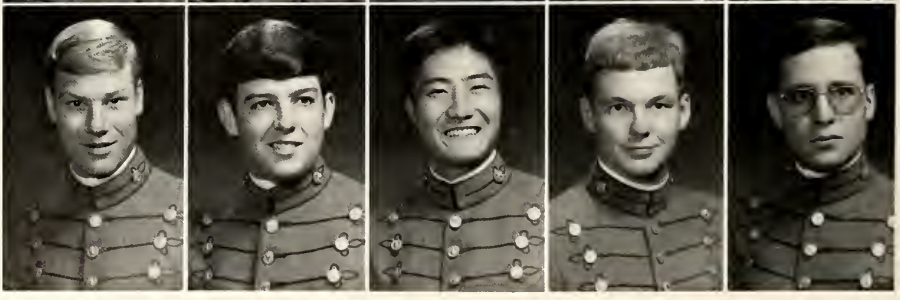
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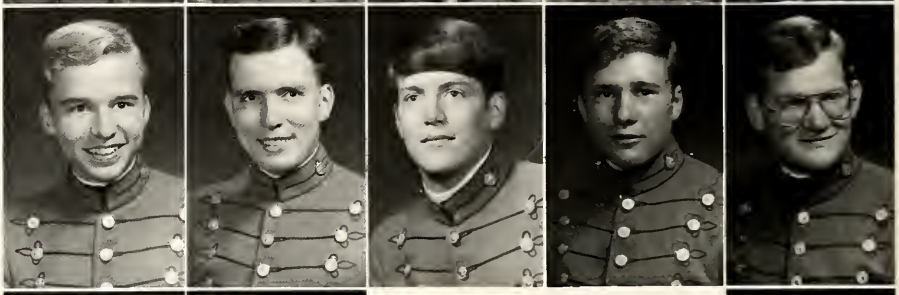


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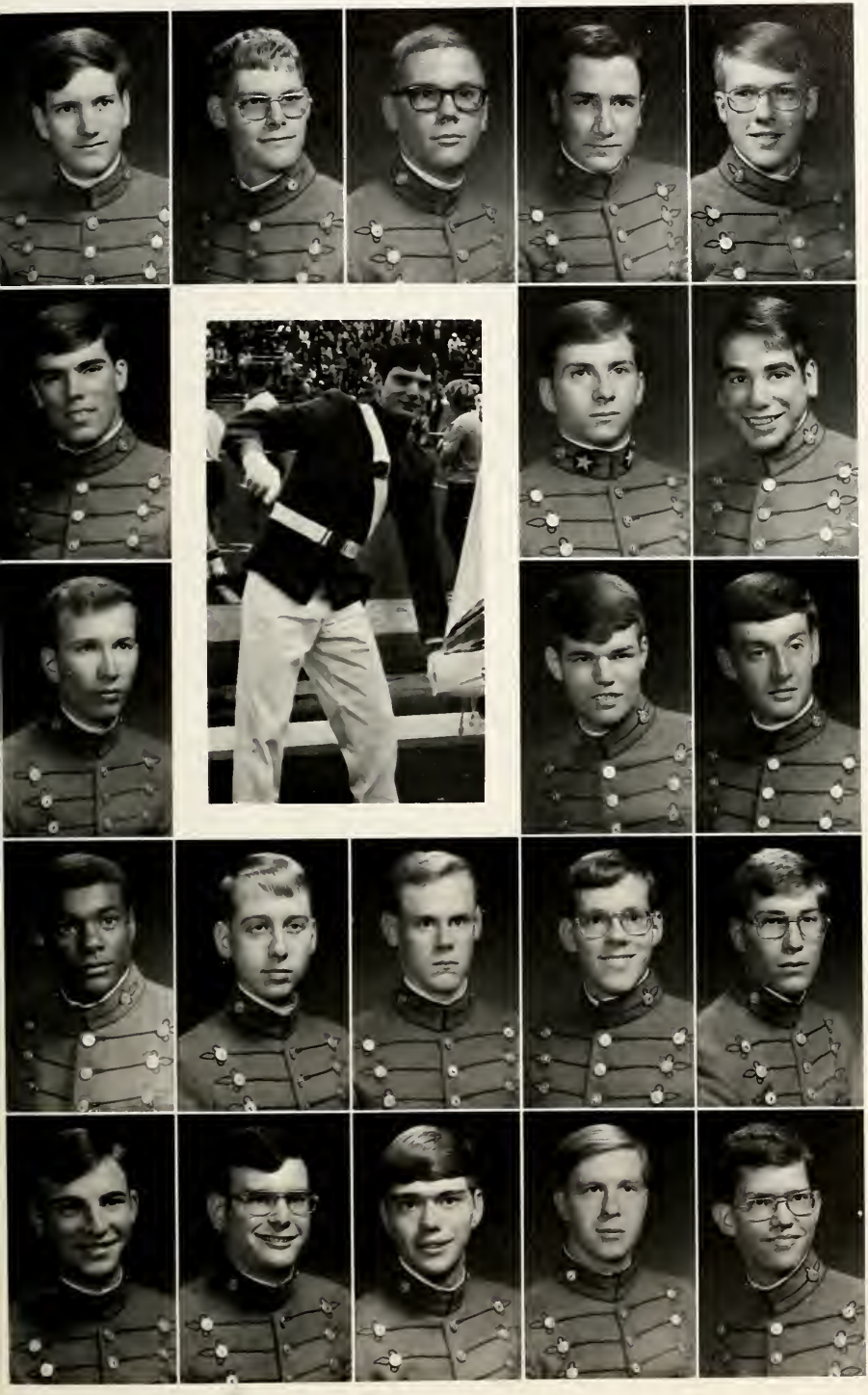
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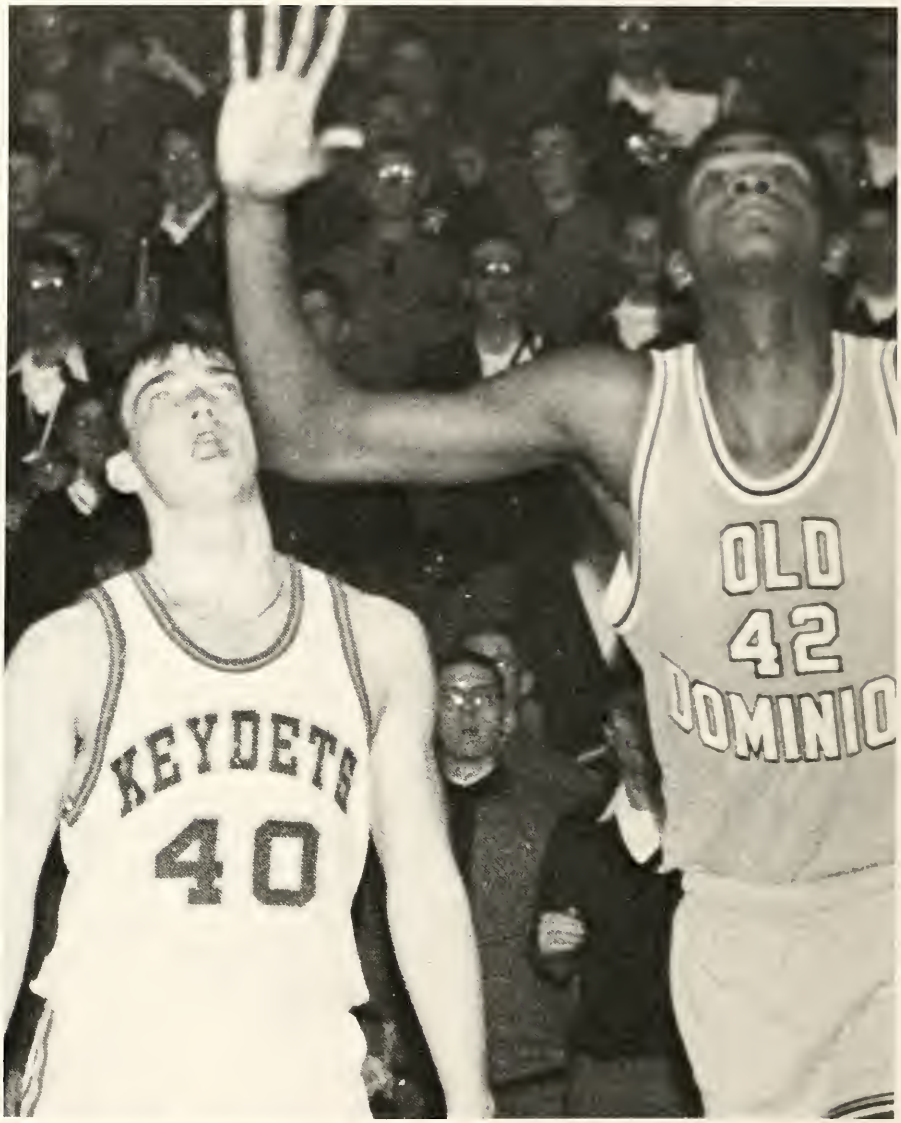
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THE CLASS OF 1980







On a placid mid-August day, 407 young men pushed their way through the doors of Cocke Hall, leaving behind them the outside world to begin a new phase in their lives- college. After bidding family and friends good-bye we signed the infamous matriculation book which officially began our careers as cadets.

Before us lay Cadre-Week though few of us realized its ramifications. Drill, morning jogs, drill again . . . in short a six month course in pain crammed into one week of pure hell. Many left, some within hours of matriculation - others were destined to fall to the rigorous academic program. Many more will leave us before that triumphant day in May years in the future.

Thrust into a spartan environment, we soon became aware of the one group who shared our problem - our Brother Rats. During the months that followed we experienced pain, agony, and failure together. Slowly ties grew between us and we began to see the true meaning of the phrase "B.R.". As this spirit grew so did our class spirit. The Mass of '80 pulled together into the future "Class of 1980."

Another force was soon to play upon us— our dykes, The Class of 1977. After a brief meeting in the Main Sinks on matriculation day, we realized that our sole purpose here was to carry on the traditions and high standards set forth by our dykes. These men were to guide us through our hardships and confusion and help us to live up to the standards of the Institute and the Corps of Cadets. Thus we look forward to the title of the Class of 1980 . . . with the aid of our dykes and our B.R.'s we may soon reach that goal. We must yet prove ourselves worthy to become V.M.I. Cadets.

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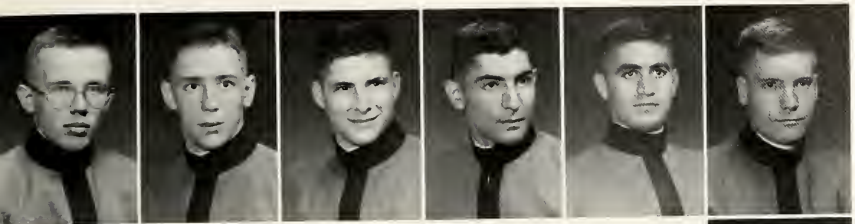
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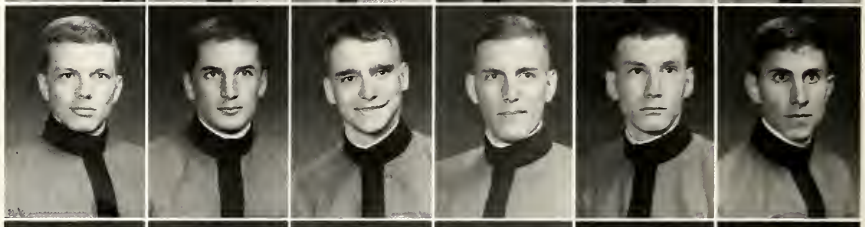
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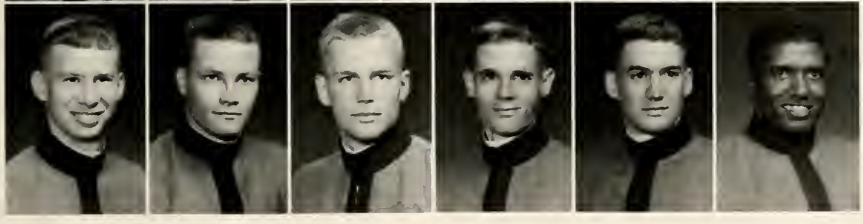
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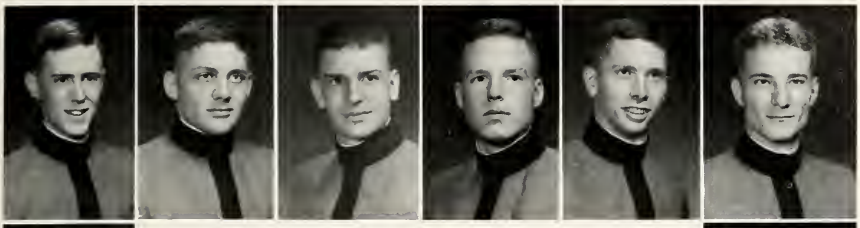



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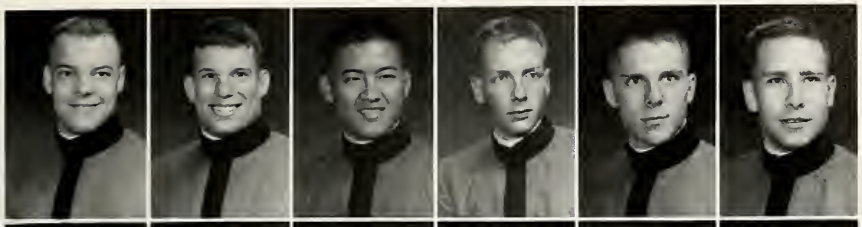
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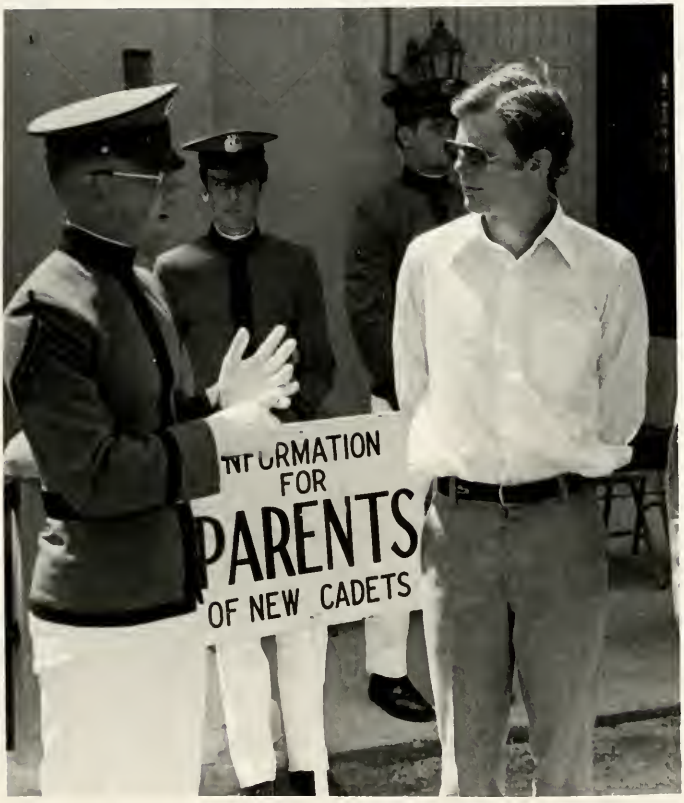




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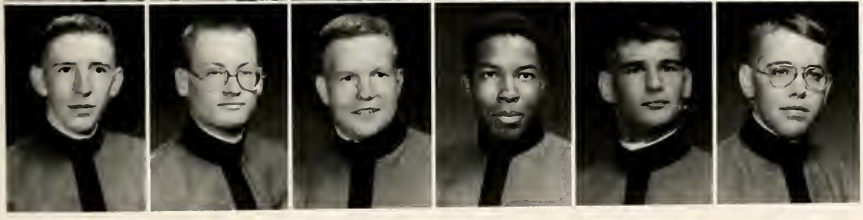


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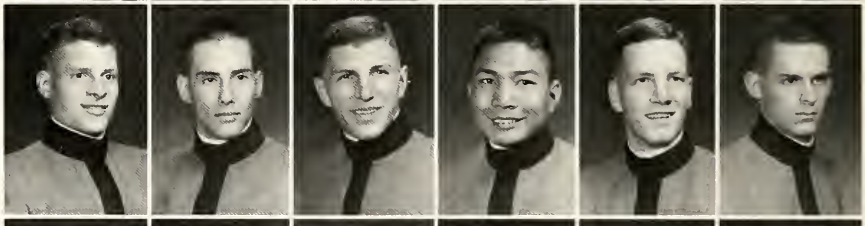




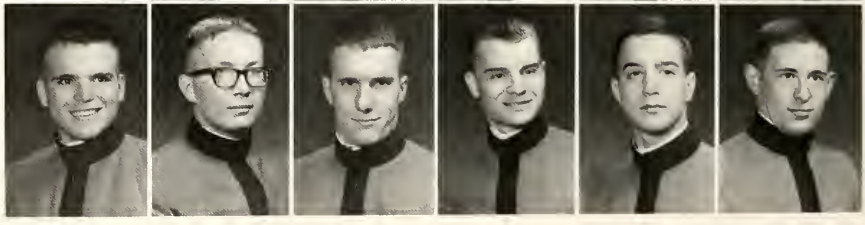
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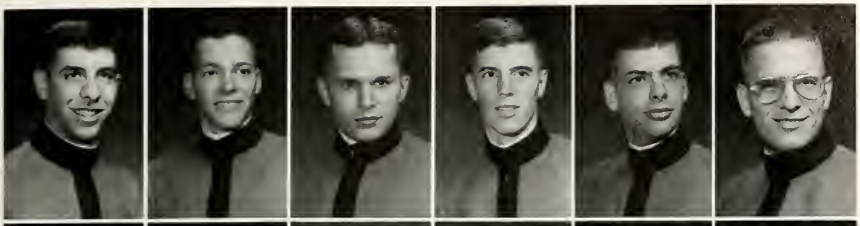


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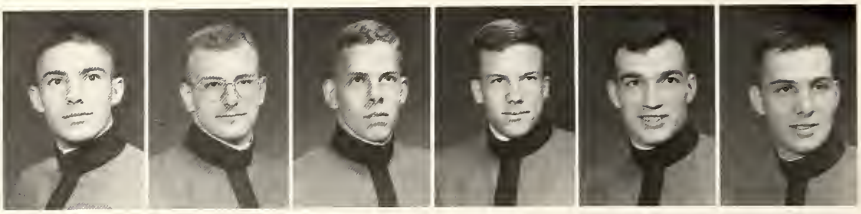
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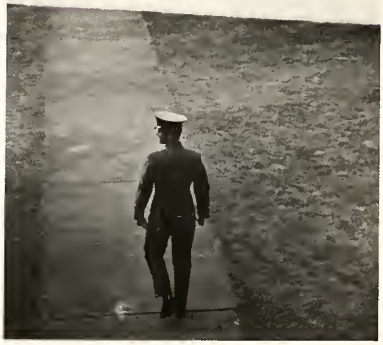




The Homecoming Queen

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On January 20, 1977, two hundred seventy members of the V.M.I. Corps marched in the Presidential Inaugural Parade for the newly elected President, Jimmy Carter. After numerous lengthy training sessions preparing for the Inaugural Parade, the V.M.I. Contingent performed exceedingly well, reaping praise from all who saw them. Said Virginia Governor Mills Godwin, "All Virginians can take pride in the marching skill of Virginia Military Institute Cadet Corps, and this performance was an outstanding example of their expert training and ability." Congratulations to those cadets who marched in the Inaugural Parade for a job well done.









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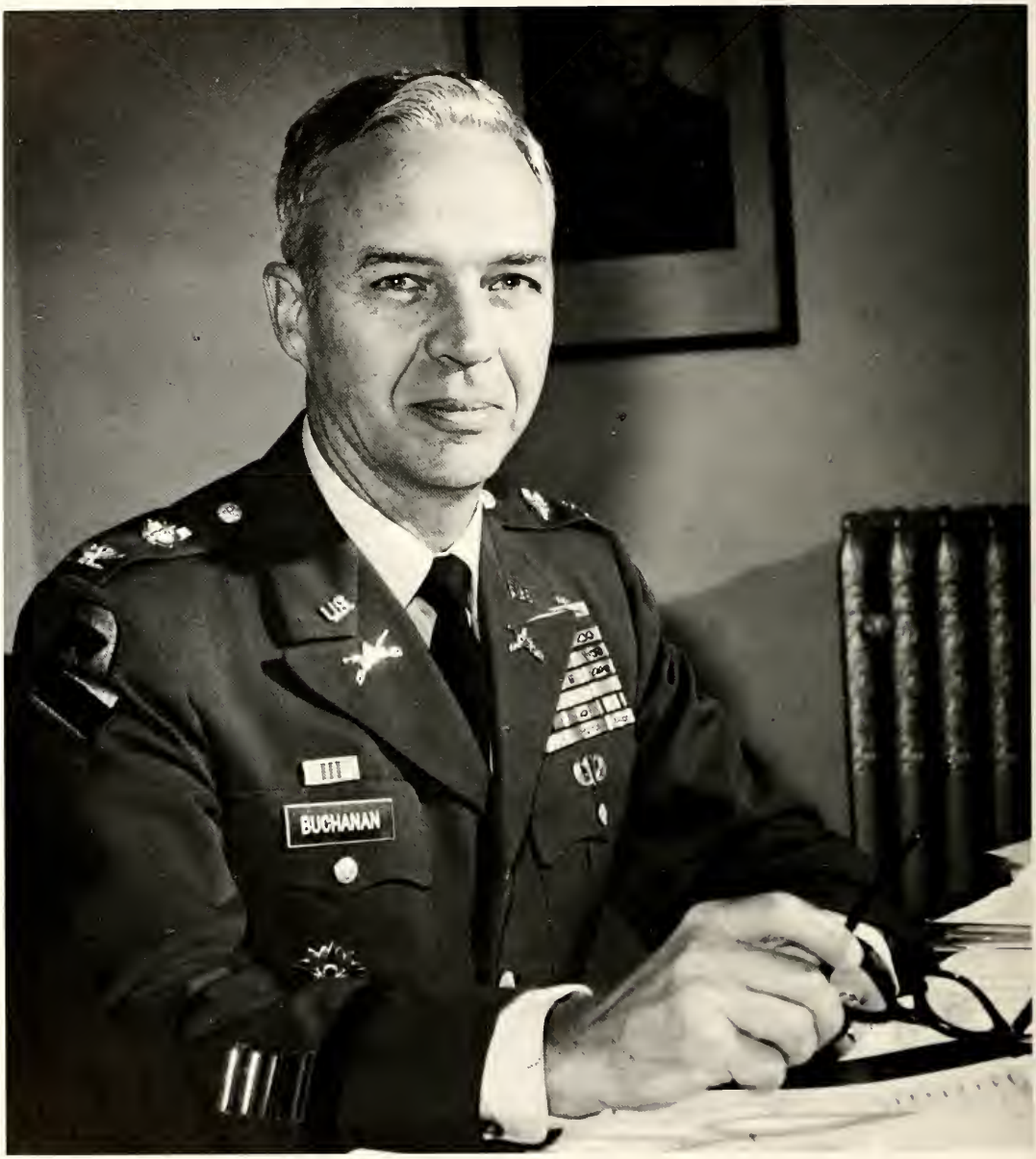


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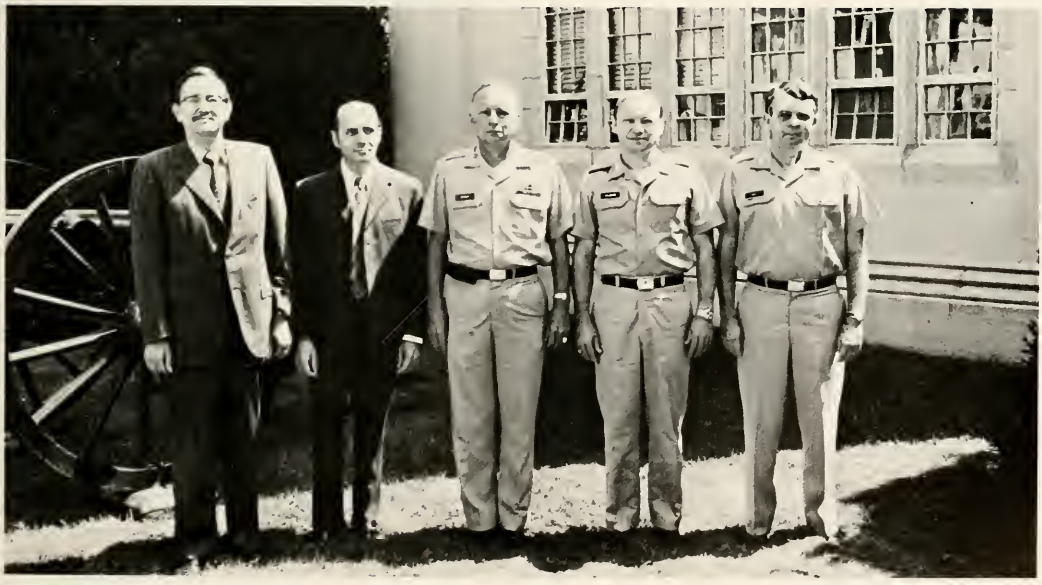
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As the official alumni-sponsored endowment agency of VMI, the VMI Foundation seeks funds for the Institute's academic advancement, the welfare of the cadets, and to support alumni services. The Foundation directs the VMI Alumni Annual Fund and conducts a continuing campaign among alumni, parents, other friends, corporations, and charitable foundations to increase endowment and meet other specific objectives through contributions in cash and securities. Deferred gifts in the form of life insurance Policies, bequests, and life income trusts, as well as contributions to the VMI Foundation's Pooled Income Fund, are especially welcomed. Offices are in Moody Hall. In addition, the Foundation directs the VMI Parents Annual Fund and supplies administrative support for the 50-member Parents Council and funds for the annual VMI Parents Weekend. Offices of the Parents Council are co-located with those of the Foundation.

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The VMI Keydet Club



The VMI Keydet Club is an organization of the VMI Alumni Association comprised of alumni, parents of cadets and other friends of VMI who, through their membership dues, support the VMI intercollegiate athletic program.

Members' dues go toward providing athletic scholarships for outstanding student - athletes who are recruited by our coaching staffs to represent VMI. Scholarships are awarded, when available, to "walk-on" players who demonstrate excellent athletic ability during their cadetship.

Each alumni chapter has a chairman who heads campaigns, primarily by telephone to acquire new members of the Club. Parents of cadets also assist in soliciting new members. The campaigns are run during the football season. Keydet Club meetings are held in various cities throughout the year, at which time football films are shown, the progress of the basketbal team is given, and reports on recruiting are delivered.

H. E. Neale, '69, is the executive vice-president of the Club, with offices in Moody Hall on the VMI Post. During football season this office is responsible for sending out a weekly football letter from the head coach to all the members, and basketball and football brochures before each season.



Alumni Association

As long as there have been VMI alumni, there has been a VMI Alumni Association. Praised throughout the country as one of the most outstanding alumni associations in existence, it now maintains active correspondence with over 10,100 members. VMI alumni, bound together through common trials and traditions, have long been known for their loyalty to their school and to each other. The Alumni Association, under the direction of G. F. Eggleston, executive secretary, seeks to keep former cadets in contact with their B Brother Rats and fellow cadets in many ways. These include publication of the quarterly ALUMNI REVIEW, files on all alumni, class reunions, chapter meetings and maintenance of the new alumni hall, William L. Moody '86 Hall. The Alumni Association also continues support of the VMI itself through its alliance with numerous cadet activities. Through its officers and membership, the VMI Alumni Association, as stated in its charter, seeks "to organize the alumni and old cadets of the Virginia Military Institute in one general body, so as the better to keep alive the memories of Institute life, and by their united efforts the more efficiently to aid in the promotion of its educational purposes in the future."

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The Keydet Bookstore





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SPORTS

FOOTBALL

VMI Football '76 started out to be another one of those long years. Losing their first 5 of 6 games, it looked as though the Keydets were headed for a dismal season. But, even in those 5 losses the team showed staunch determination and a "never-say-die" attitude.

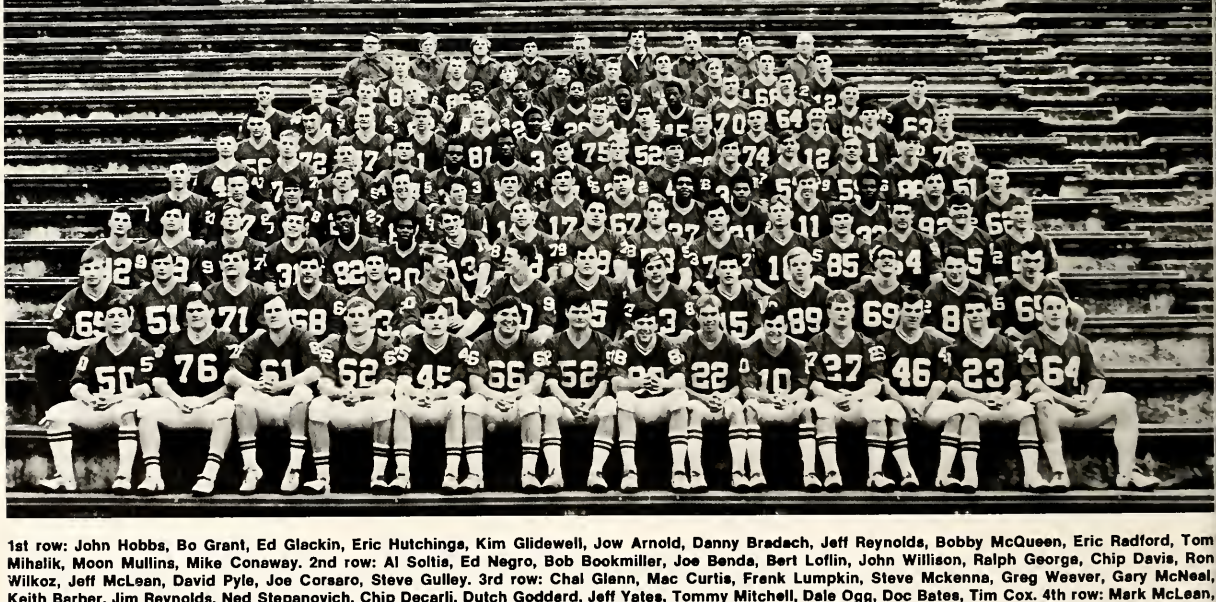
The Keydets, determined and believing that they could be a winner, finally got things cranked up and won their last 4 games. These included impressive showings against Virginia, The Citadel, and Indiana State. The "Gut Squad" finished with a respectable 5-5 season after much adversity throughout the year.

The tenacious defense consistently stopped opponents short of the goal line time after time. The running ability of Kim Glidewell (VMI's All-time leading rusher) provided the offense with tough yardage when needed. Freshman Craig Jones provided for the quick striking effect of a field goal, leading the nation in field goal percentage.

Much of this year's turn-around is due to the excellent leadership provided by the first classmen. Co-Captains Ed Glackin and Eric Hutchings kept the team in unity, while the other seniors headed up the "Gut Squad".

VMI placed two men on the All-Southern Conference team. On offense, tackle Ed Glackin, and on defense, tackle Ned Stepanovich.





1st row: John Hobbs, Bo Grant, Ed Glackin, Eric Hutchings, Kim Glidewell, Jow Arnold, Danny Bradach, Jeff Reynolds, Bobby McQueen, Eric Radford, Tom Mihalik, Moon Mullins, Mike Conaway. 2nd row: Al Soltis, Ed Negro, Bob Bookmiller, Joe Benda, Bert Loflin, John Willison, Ralph George, Chip Davis, Ron Wilkoz, Jeff McLean, David Pyle, Joe Corsaro, Steve Gulley. 3rd row: Chal Glenn, Mac Curtis, Frank Lumpkin, Steve Mckenna, Greg Weaver, Gary McNeal, Keith Barber, Jim Reynolds, Ned Stepanovich, Chip Decarli, Dutch Goddard, Jeff Yates, Tommy Mitchell, Dale Ogg, Doc Bates, Tim Cox. 4th row: Mark McLean, Bud Zirkle, Tom Ferguson, Ray Duffett, Nick Collins, Robbie Clark, Mark Lambert, Mike Freeman, Tom Replogle, Carl Jackson, Andre Gibson, Rob Maxey, Tony Hamilton, Jose Gomez, Joe Paustenbough. 5th row: Ted Helmick, John Shuman, Marty Fedenko, Richard Smith, Tony Green, Glenn Jones, Greg Arnett, Greg Beck, Steve Oddi, Tim Gompers, Harry Siegfried, Ray Schaper, Larry Williams, Steve Klinar. 6th row: David Sarkus, Bill Schademan, Robbie Jones, Craig Jones, Matt Griffin, Johnny Garnett, Jeff Morgan, George Snyder, Robert Osler, Tim Dugen, Larry Hupertz, John Arthur, Russ Long. 7th row: George Bosu, Jay McCloskey, Rick Gilbert, Keith Davis, Jeff Washington, Mike Bellamy, Mike Alston, Walt Bellamy, Joe Robinson, Tommy Earle, Pat McCarthy, Craig Cox. 8th row: John Hall, Mike Kelley, Doug Mauck, Matt Schell, Rich Lockridge, Howard Adams, Jeff Minnix, Jeff Basilotta, Dwayne Guynn. 9th row: '76 Coaching Staff.


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RUGBY

The VMI Rugby Club as in previous years continued its winning tradition this season. This year's fall season turned out an undefeated 6-0-1 record. Smashing victories came over Richmond, W&L, and Hampden Sydney by scores of 36-0, 23-0, 31-6 respectively. The Ruggers racked up over 148 points while holding their opponents to a mere 29.

The Keydets, guided by club president Wes Naff and other senior leather-ballers Billy Hupp, Chris Nash, Steve Werner, Keith Kowadlo, Terry Wolfe, and Johnny Lamond devastated their opposition with a powerful scrum and a quick line. Billy Hupp led the scoring for VMI with 28 points.

In recognition of their undefeated season, the Rugby Club has been invited to the 64 team Mardi Gras tournament. Also, the Ruggers will compete in the College State Tourney.











BASKETBALL





Twenty one straight victories and a new Virginia state record for most consecutive wins in a row, the number 19th ranked team in the United States according to the Associated Press, and a perfect 15-0 record in "The Pit". These were just a few of the very many accomplishments of the 1976-77 Keydet Basketball team. Behind the leadership of senior captains John Krovic and Will Bynum, the exciting play of Ron Carter, the inside work of big Dave Montgomery, and the hustling of Kelly Lombard, the VMI team not only proved its success of the previous year was no fluke, but they also battled their way to becoming one of the top basketball teams in the east.

Because they breezed through the Southern Conference Tournament and disposed of nationally ranked Tennessee and DePaul in last season's NCAA Eastern Regionals, added pressure was put on this year's squad to show their success was not the result of luck. With that "never say die" attitude, a fast-breaking run and gun offense, and a new confidence in themselves, the Keydets lived up to all advanced billing and helped to make Coach Charlie Schmaus's first season as head mentor a memorable one.

The VMI team began the season by gaining revenge against Madison in the opening of the UVA Tip Off Tournament but were temporarily set back when they lost to the host Cavaliers in the finals the following evening. The loss helped to bring the team more together and it was to be the last time the Keydets were to taste defeat for the next 12 weeks.





The Keydets began their regular season schedule by destroying a highly regarded East Carolina team on the road and immediately showed they were the team to beat in the Southern Conference. After coasting by Radford in their first Pit appearance, the Keydets faced Old Dominion in one of the most exciting games ever to be played this side of the Blue Ridge. Behind a 24 point performance by "Rockin Ron" and some super defense that saw Montgomery hold the Monarch's all-American Wilson Washington to a stand-still, the Keydets held on to capture a big 62-60 victory. The win over ODU gave the team the momentum they needed for their trip out west during the holidays, and they responded by grabbing three more victories and coming off with the championship of the Oklahoma City All-College Tournament. The Keydets started off with a 76-66 win over a highly rated Tulane five, nipped the University of California 72-70, and came away with all the marbles by posting a 69-58 victory over the host Oklahoma City team in the finals.

Returning to Lexington, the Keydets started the new year off with four straight home wins. The fourth, a 92-79 blow-out over arch rival William and Mary gave the VMI team sole possession of first place in the SC. The team also showed it would withstand pressure on the road whipping Citadel and coasting by Richmond. The contest against the Spiders was perhaps the night the bench proved that VMI was more than just a five man team. Krovic was forced to sit out with an injury and super sub George Borojevich came in to contribute 10 points and some valuable senior leadership. When fouls sidelined Bynum, Jeryl Salmond entered the game and came through with some clutch baskets as well as helping to keep the much taller Spiders honest on the boards.



The team kept rolling along, returning home to set down in order East Carolina, Central Wesleyan, Citadel, Furman, and Hampden-Sydney. The win over Furman and its cocky crew of hotshots all but established VMI as the number one seed in the SC tournament and also laid the way for the Keydets' national ranking in the polls. The team brought in even more favorable publicity as Sports Illustrated featured the Keydets in its February 14th issue. After several more big victories the streak finally ended down in Williamsburg. Suffering from one of their worst nights shooting on the season, the Keydets lost to the Indians 86-84 on a goaltending call at the buzzer. The Keydets also dropped another game, falling to Appalachian State down in Boone before ending the year with an important win over Randolph Macon.

Not enough could be written about all the achievements of the team this year. Beyond the fact that Bynum, Krovic, and Carter all sailed past the VMI career scoring record that Schmaus held for 11 years, the team more than anything gave VMI a winning tradition in a sport in which they were 1-25 as recent as 1971. Even with Carter, Bynum, and Krovic all making the All Conference team, the team played an unselfish brand of ball. Not enough could be mentioned about the other members of the squad who came through when called on.



Besides old faithfuls Borojevich and Salmond, there was freshman Steve Wagner who more than admirably filled in for Lombard on two separate occasions. Pat Kelley proved his ability as the team's all-purpose utility man and Dave Slomski finally overcame his injuries to make a contribution. Special mention should also be given to Malcom Grimes, Doug Conyers, and Harlan Niehaus, all of who gave the starters strong support and always showed enthusiasm on the floor.

The '76-'77 Keydet Basketball team faced a big challenge . . . and with that VMI spirit behind them, they not only conquered all obstacles, but they gave everyone connected with the Institute something to be proud of.



First Row: Will Bynum, George Borojevich, John Krovic, Dave Slomski. Second Row: Joe Conyers, Malcolm Grimes, Ron Carter, Harlan Niehaus, Dave Montgomery, Pat Kelly, Jeryl Salmond, Steve Wagner, Bob Wright. Missing: Kelly Lombard, Coach Schmaus.










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SOCCER

The '76 Keydet Soccer team gave VMI and Coach Jim Clark a respectable season. With many returning lettermen to work with, Coach Clark molded this year's team into a Conference contender. The biggest win came against ECU, when the Keydets blasted the Pirates 8-2.

With the scoring power of senior captain Fred Allner (VMI's All-time leading scorer) and rat upstart Hamid Sahar-Khiz, the offense banged the nets with assists from Joe Santelli. A tough defense of Rick Hagreen, Goose Robbins, Kip Hamilton, and All-Conference Mansour Shahtaji kept the Keydets on offense.

The future looks bright for VMI Soccer in the upcoming years. Many underclassmen like Mike Ogden, Eddie Semler, Mansour Shahtaji, and Hamid Sahar-Khiz received valuable playing time and experience. The biggest loss, though, comes with the leaving of Coach Jim Clark. He will be well remembered by those who had the pleasure of playing under him.





1st row: Hamid Sahar-Khiz, Mansour Shahtaji, Captain Duncan, Fred Allner (captain), Captain Clark (Head Coach), Goose Robbins. 2nd row: Eric Deschambault, Eddie Semler, Maurice Belanger, Butch Brown, Ali Ramezani, Pongsak Pullauk, Hossein Esheghi, Dennis Quinn, Mike Ogden, Chark Tingsabhat, Garth Geiglein, Charles Norris. 3rd row: George Walsh, Steve Mundy, Sam Murphy, William Rumble, Bob Johann, Bob Winn, Mark Short, John Bowman, Jim Parsons, Tom Herbert, Bob Leatherbury, Dennis McCarty, Joe Santelli, Mark Grubber, Farshad Bigdeli, Robbie Robertson, Stu Clinger, Willem Roelofsen, Kip Hamilton.











Fencing Team



W. Short, D. Simms, R. Reibach, W. Harlow, M. Bryant, R. DeCorte, J. Leadbetter, R. Manteuffel, R. Hendrickson, D. Smith, P. Underwood, J. Wright, S. Craig, Head Coach: E. S. Humphreys

Rifle Team



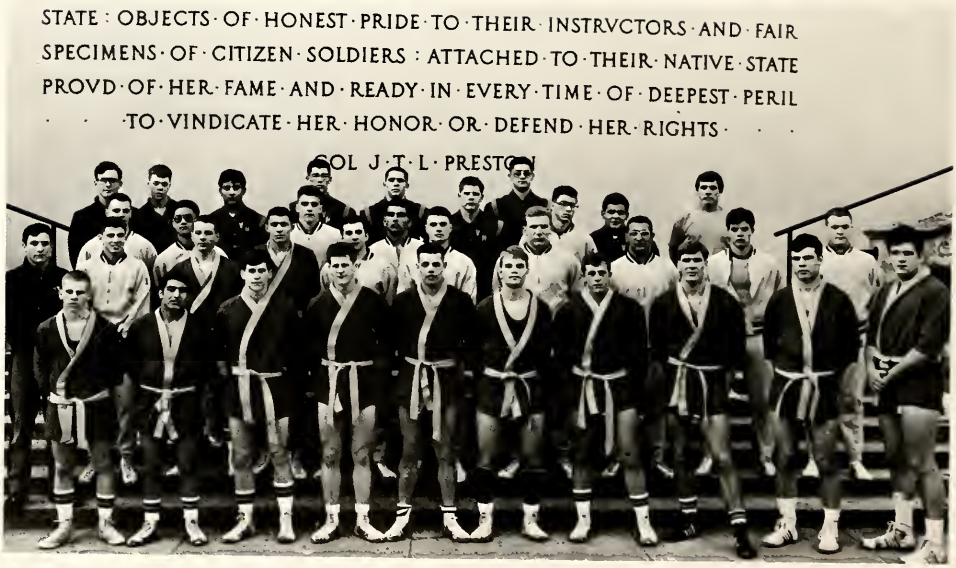
Gene Lauffer, Andy Marshall, Craig Myler, George Filer, Mark Hunter, Tom Horan, John Klag, Bob Sievert, Tom Northam, Mike Staso.

WRESTLING

The VMI wrestling team had another good season this year under the direction of Coach Gupton and the tri-captains Kim Latsha, Bob Sherrard, and Ned Stepanovich. VMI offers no scholarships for wrestling, yet we still compete and beat with schools dominated with scholarship wrestlers. Ned Stepanovich placed first in the state meet and first in the W & L tournament. John Vizzi placed second in the state meet, first in the W & L tournament, and first in the Monarch Open tournament. Bob Sherrard placed fourth in the Monarch Open tournement as well. Stepanovich, Vizzi, and Sherrard have good possibilities of placing high for conference honors this year.

"Gup's Grapplers" will lose only four Firstclassmen this year, yet with the good showing of the Rats out for the squad this season, next year may provide VMI with yet another strong team. Despite a lot of injuries and illnesses at key times to key wrestlers, the team did a fine job again this year.





1st Row: D. Pearson, R. Rios, K. Latsha, K. Latsha, T. Hall, M. Cheek, B. Pearson, R. Sherrard, J. Vizzi, N. Stepanovich. Second Row: P. Colden, T. Cook, S. Brown, R. Woolper, S. Virtue, K. Baybutt, E. Johnson, K. Cierrocca, R. Titus, W. Crute. Third Row: E. Baker, R. Mouri, R. Koelher, A. Knoshpand, B. Patakai. Fourth Row: D. Starbuck, B. Pfefferkorn, B. Pergson, N. Servidio, C. Wilson, K. Burkholder, A. Bigdelhi, J. Simas, Coach Gupton.





SWIMMING

Swimming in '77 was a rebuilding year for VMI and Coach Arnold Joyce. After graduating eight top seniors the Keydets were lacking in depth. Led by Co-captains Tom Underhill and Hobie Andrews, and Firstclassman Buzzy Northen, VMI had many fine individual showings but lacked the overall depth and experience for a strong team showing. Other top returnees included thirdclassmen Jim Wenning, Bob Raines, and Danny Sheahan; secondclass sprinting ace Joe Cafarella, and Firstclassman Bart Pasco who led the fly and distance events. Rats Rich Penny and Josh Priest proved to be valuable to the team effort. Despite the lack of depth and experience the Keydets were well coached and continued to improve under a great coach.





J. Cafarella, C. Billingsly, M. Wood, R. Parker, R. Raines, B. Northen, T. Underhill, H. Andrews, B. Pasco, D. Sheahan, R. Penn, T. Brown, J. Priest, T. White, R. Boyer, J. Wenning, D. Sheahan, B. Albro, and R. Curtiss.




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TRACK

Track at VMI is on the rise! After three years of rebuilding the track program, coach Wade Williams has VMI as top contenders for the state and conference championships.

The team of mostly underclassmen put together fine showings in the indoor season. With record breaking performances from Gary McNeil (6.1/60), Tim Bridges (7.2/60HH), Andre Gibson (24'6"/LJ), Anthony Moore (2:13/1000), and Rex Wiggins (4:07/mile), the Keydets had impressive wins over Richmond, UVA, Appalachain State, Wake Forest, and Madison.

VMI's biggest win came when the Keydets beat both Virginia Tech and William & Mary in a tri-meet. Winning 7 events, the team totaled 63 points to Tech's 58 and W & M's 41. It wes the second victory over W & M this season. The first victory over W & M marked the first win in 11 years over the Indians.

Freshman standouts Eugene Scott, Paul Perry, Dennis Watts, Jody Weatherwax, Joe Robinson, and Ben Judge contributed valuable points consistently in their events.

The future looks very bright for Keydet track. With the loss of only three firstclassmen and with another good recruiting year, the Keydets may well be on their way toward a perennial track power.











First Row: T. Bridges, D. Schlickenmeyer, M. Freeman, J. Mclean, A. Moore, J. Weatherwax, M. Elliot. Second Row: T. Novak, D. Sullivan, P. Perry, R. Hall, C. Jackson, G. Beck, B. Morris. Third Row: R. Wiggins, P. McCarthy, B. Lassiter, B. Judge, A. Robinson, D. Woolwine, S. Miller, B. Wallace. Fourth Row: E. Scott, A. Gibson, J. Robinson, G. Bosu, A. Bush, G. McNeil, M. Collier, T. Wilson, M. Bernet. Fifth Row: M. Bellamy, P. Andrews, D. Watts, M. Stinnette, B. Lennox, H. Snyder, M. Burton, R. Gilbert.


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TENNIS TEAM



Chuck Forbes, Bert Deacon, Fred Allner, Rick Green, Steve Pugh, Will Bynum, Two Unidentified Rats.

GOLF TEAM



Carl Ballard, Steve Murray, John Colonna, Bob Fricke, Joe Brown.

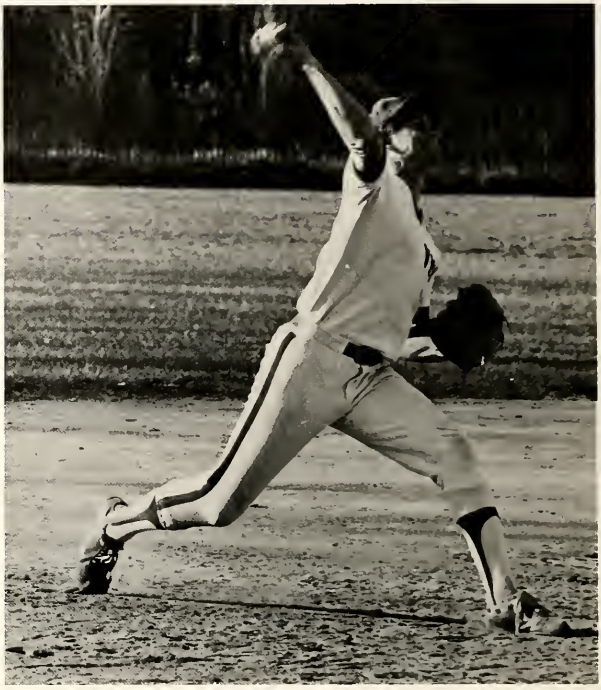
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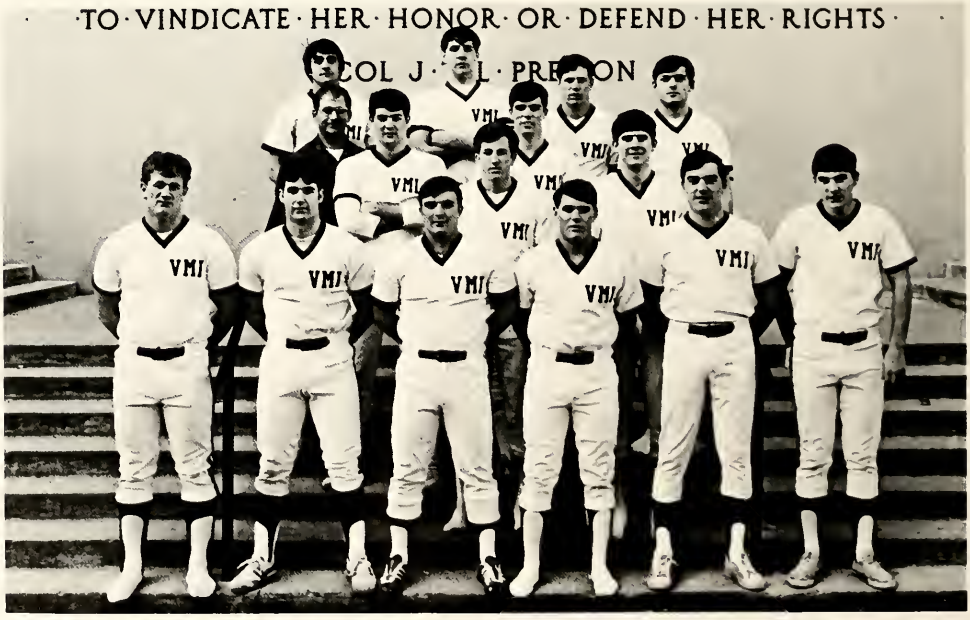
The '77 baseball team had two new looks; a new coach and a new attitude. Vern Bietzel is the new head coach and he has generated a new spirit in baseball at VMI.

The Keydets fielded one of the strongest offensive attacks in years. Led by Russell Pucket, the team will be strong in the hitting department. Billy Young and Andy Andrews also have had hot bats.

Randy Gates and Billy Young headed up a strong infield. The pitching duties were handled by Mike Vela and Robert Sanford. Scott Snow, Mark Perrin, Bobby Henkel, and Billy Hardy helped out in the fielding strength.

In all the Keydets appeared to be strong and have good experience. Several rats will add to the depth of the team. At the end of the season the Keydets should have a winning record. They have a new attitude and coach, plus the talent with which to accomplish it.





First Row: Tom Mihalik, Bruce Reinard, Billy Young, Andy Andrews, Joe White, Randy Gates. Second Row: Mark Havelin, Mark Perrin, Ron Milligan, Mike Vela, Robert Henkel. Third Row: Coach Vern Bietzel, Chip Marohn, Billy Hardy, Russell Pucket.







LACROSSE

The 1977 edition of V.M.I. Lacrosse featured a revitalized offense and a strong backbone of seniors. Attackmen Goose Robbins and Andy Tarr, backed by the underclassmen John Woodward and Doug Reddington lent a new excitement to the fastest game on feet.

Scheduling of division one teams like William and Mary and Virginia Tech formed what was perheps the beginning of new in-state rivalries.

Coached by Gordon Calkins and Steve DiBadgio, the laxmen began their season in the deep snows of January. A long road lay ahead, yet the steady leadership of Captain Jack Daniel kept the team on track as the season ground on.

More than once the job of pulling it out of the fire went to the defense, led by senior Boog Powell and junior Wads Bugg.

That's the way it was in the spring of '77.







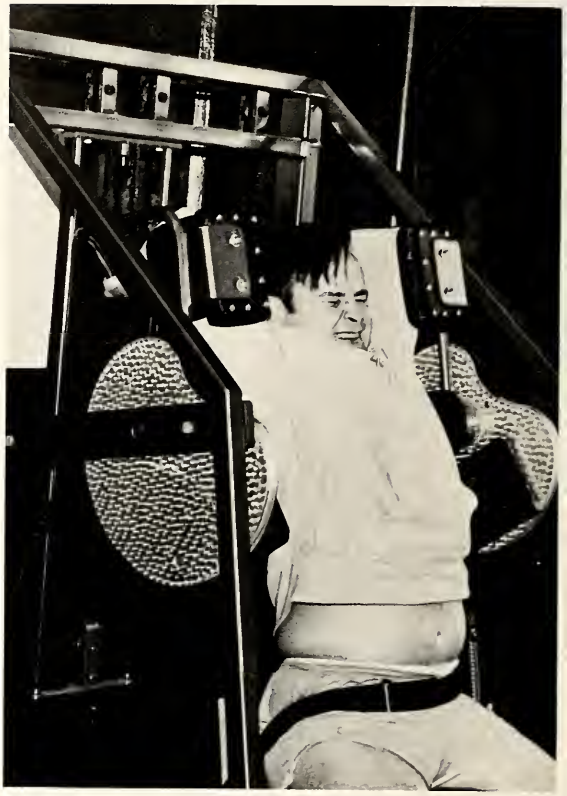






Front Row: L. Welsh, B. Vorgang, S. Gitchell, J. Daniel, A. Tarr, J. Gibney, D. Jeter, C. Dombalis, E. Semler. Center Row: Coach Gordon Calkins, P. Barrow, B. Fretz, F. Winkler, R. Titus, J. Caplice, R. Wetherill, D. Loba, Coach Steve "Pop" DeBegio. Rear Row: D. Guynn, S. Boyer, L. Betz, S. Kraus, J. Humphreys, Glow-worm Reddington, Goose Robbins, W. Bugg, M. Gruber, Slick Parsons, D. Sebert, T. Herbert, H. Fain, J. Bonsignore, Chops Choplinski, D. McCarty, Boog Powell, J. Woodward, M. Meredith.

INTRAMURALS





The Intramural Program at V.M.I. was designed to offer to those cadets not on Varsity permit the opportunity to stay in some semblance of shape, improve recreational skills, and, to some, a chance to delve into some fierce competitive sport. Such activities as Run For Your Life, handball, basketball, and Intramural Boxing offer cadets a wide variety of activities to choose from, as does the Presidential Sports Award Program. The Intramural Program has something to offer everyone who participates in it. If for nothing else it alleviates the Drill on the Hill and Practice Parade which would otherwise be found on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.













OUTRAGE

DEDICATION

This year's OUTRAGE is dedicated to that neat guy, the King of the Phone-A-Bone, the Dick Tracy of NEB, our own Colonel Lee Nichols. Who else but this defender of the "I" would have gone to all the trouble to avenge himself against those ruffians and derelicts who partook in the drunken party in the radio room, now known as Max's Bar and Grill, on that day now described as the Labor Day Massacre? You so decreed: "For desecrating my realm you seven, . . . you . . . you Nichols Seven . . . you shall pay the supreme sacrifice. Max Floyd, step forward! I want you banished from here . . . you shall not graduate !!! You Dave Kelly . . . you may stay . . . at least another semester after your class has graduated. For you and the rest . . . Number One and Special Conduct Probation . . . here's lookin' at ya!!!"

So we hereby dedicate this OUTRAGE to you Colonel Nichols, for both your loyalty to your duty and for putting these lost sheep back in the fold. Enjoy your handiwork, sir, and take heed of this: NEB will yet host another party ol' buddy . . . . . Sleep well . . .









Q: Who is this man talking to?
- a. The Wizard about his job.
- b. A real estate broker.
- c. Delta Airlines—"Delta is ready when you are."
- d. Charlie Schmaus.

Q: Who is this?
- a. A cadet waiter.
- b. Captain Taylor's West Point Graduation picture.
- c. A leader of tomorrow.
- d. Who the hell cares?





Q: Who is this?
a. The Wizard's brain.
b. An exhausted, tired, old man.
c. Protector of the Realm . . . . .
"No one sees the Wizard."
d. Living proof that drugs can be harmful.



Q:What *WAS* this?
a. A carnival.
b. A state fair.
c. A bazaar.
d. A three ring circus.

Q: What have we here?
a. The Wizard himself
b. The Editor of Field and Stream.
c. Donor of four month vacations.
d. Commander of the Virginia Militia.





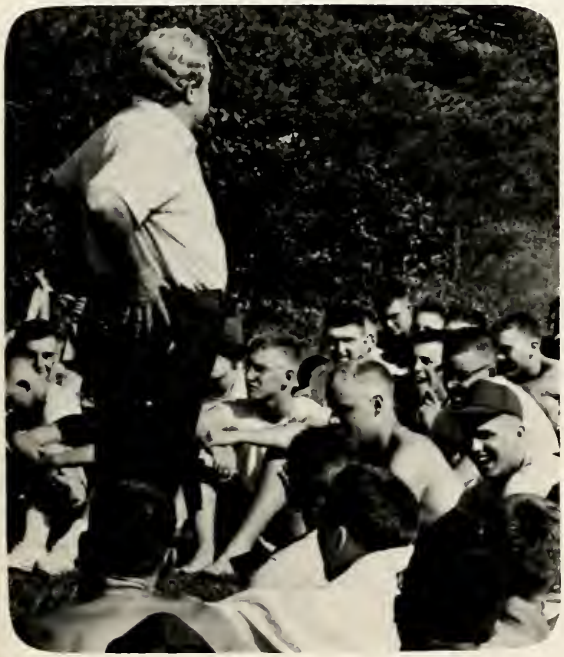


Q: What is being said to this cadet?
a. "You'll never amount to anything . . . . . your brain's not engaged."
b. "Bone yourself."
c. "Don't tell me, rat; I wrote the book!"
d. "Drive on, Buck, drive on!"



Q: What has happened to this cadet?

a. He has fallen asleep on the floor in his blouse.
b. He has tripped on his way to S.R.C.
c. He is listening for a herd of buffalo.
d. He has just returned from a swell night at Zolloman's.



Q: What is this man doing?

a. Modeling summer fashions.
b. Lecturing on physical fitness.
c. Welcoming new cadets into the monastic order.
d. Absolutely nothing!

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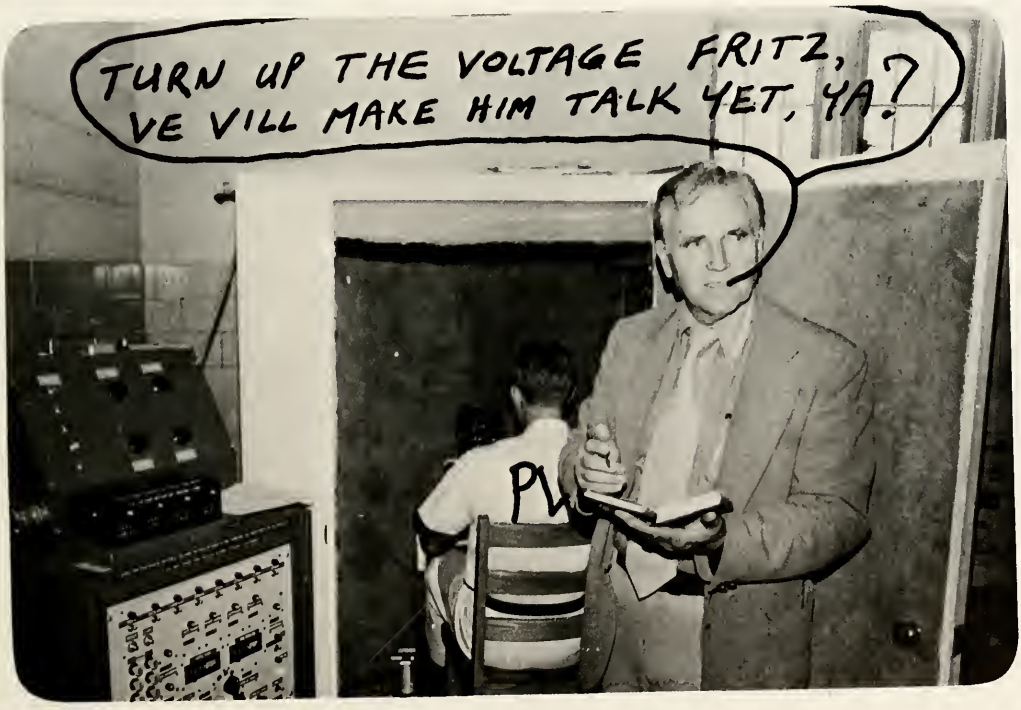




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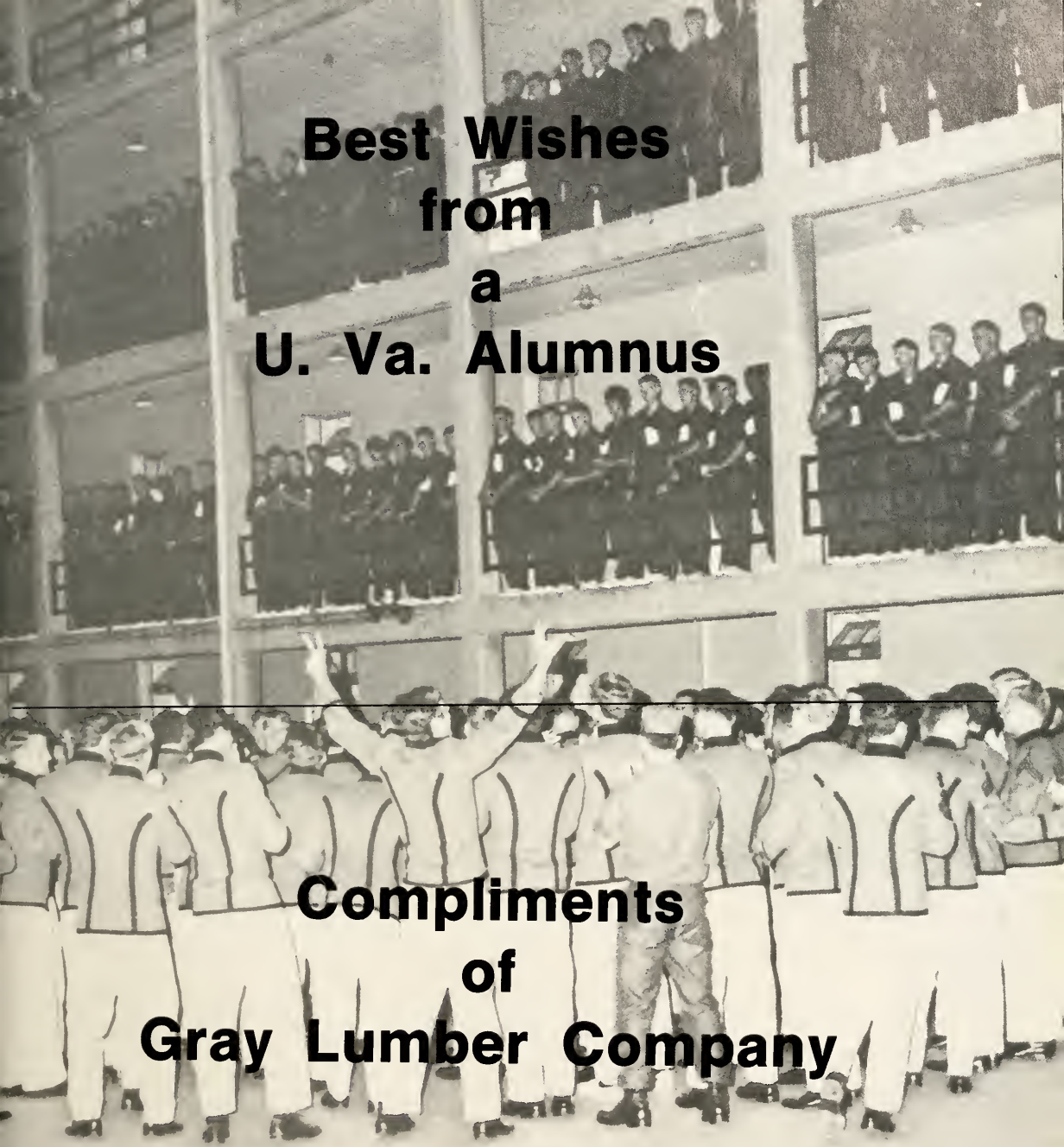
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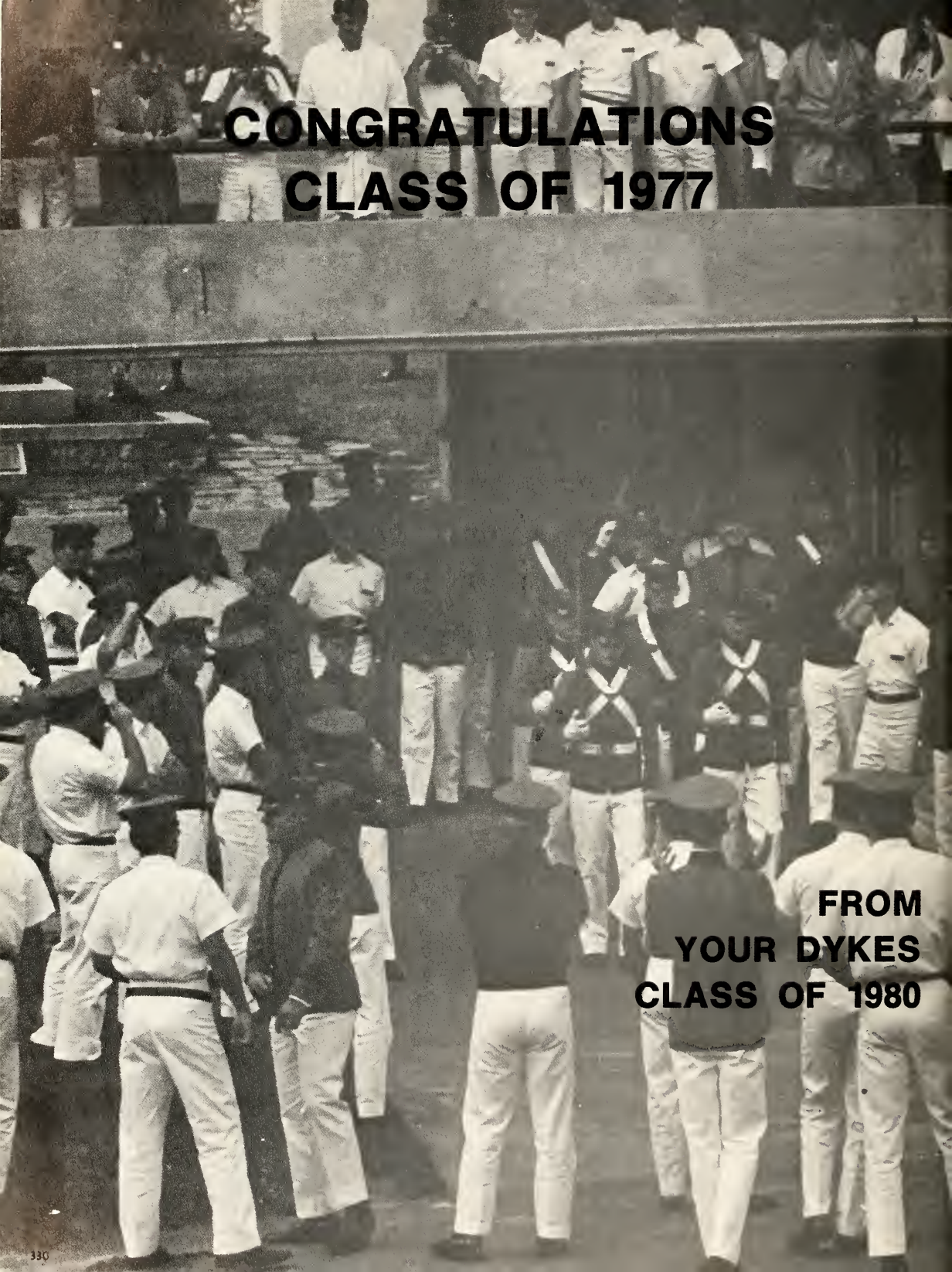
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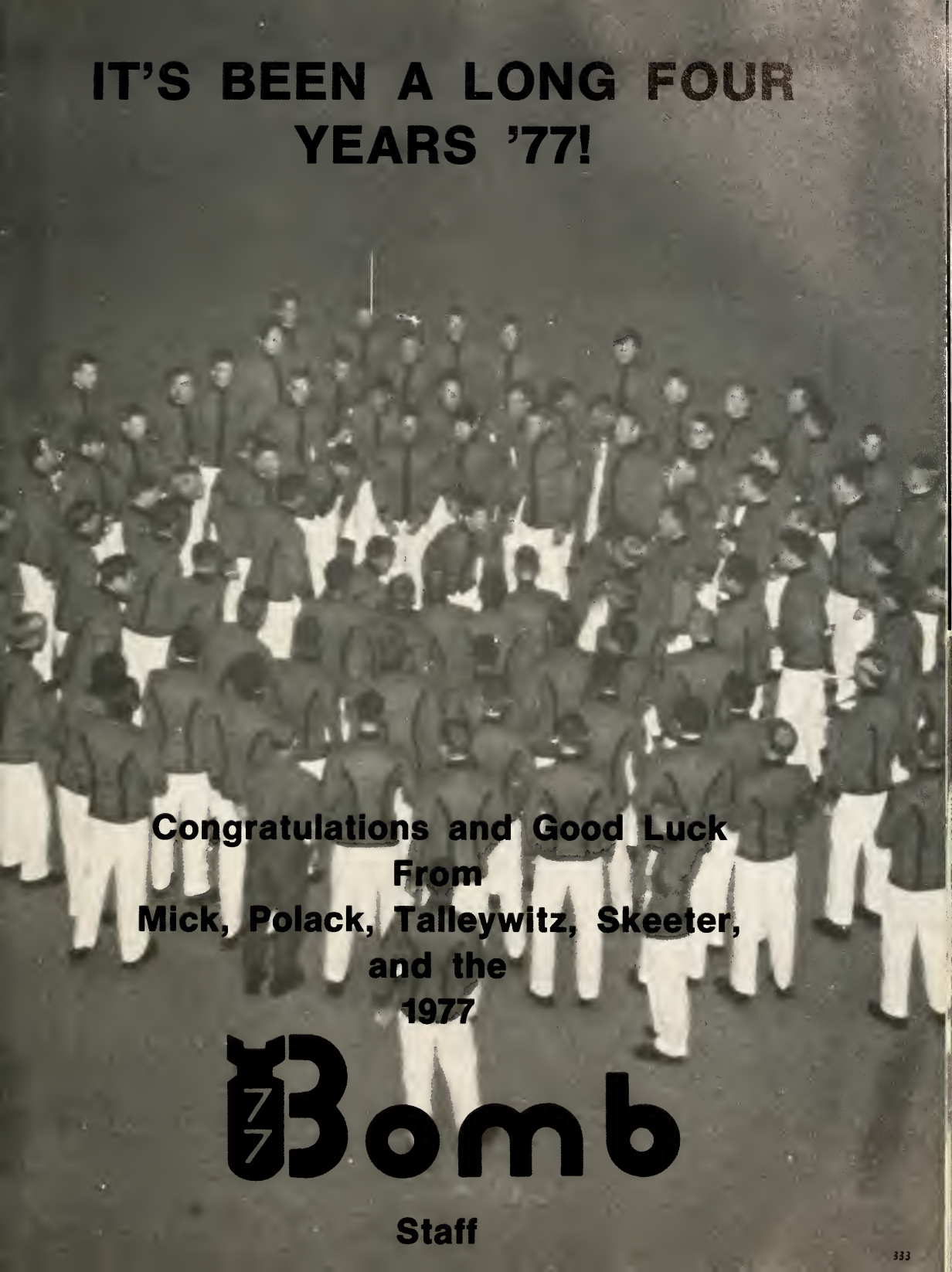
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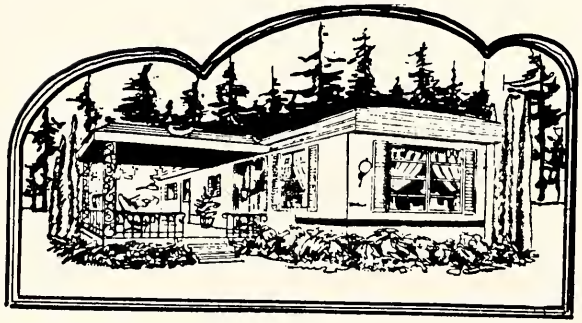


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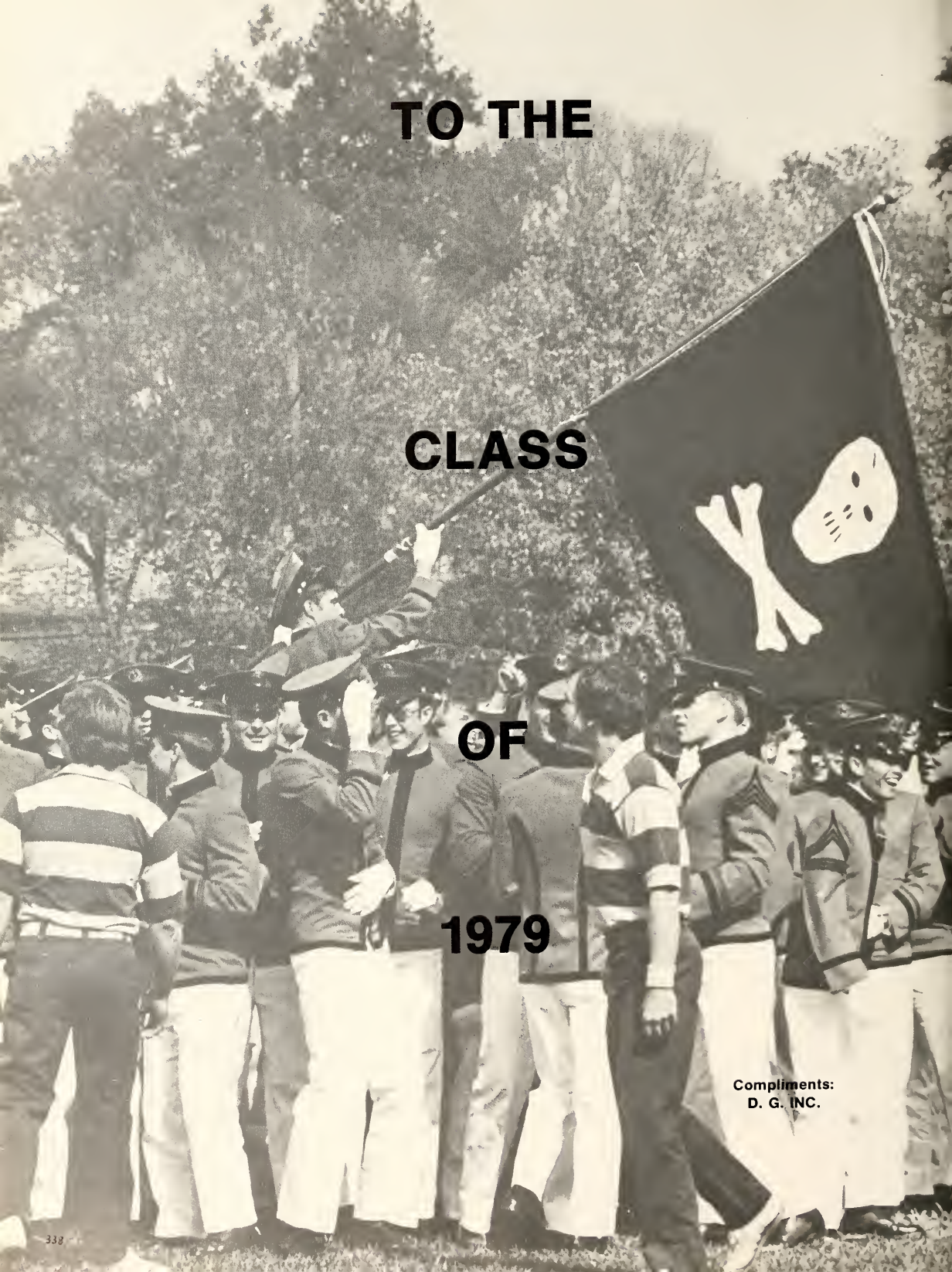
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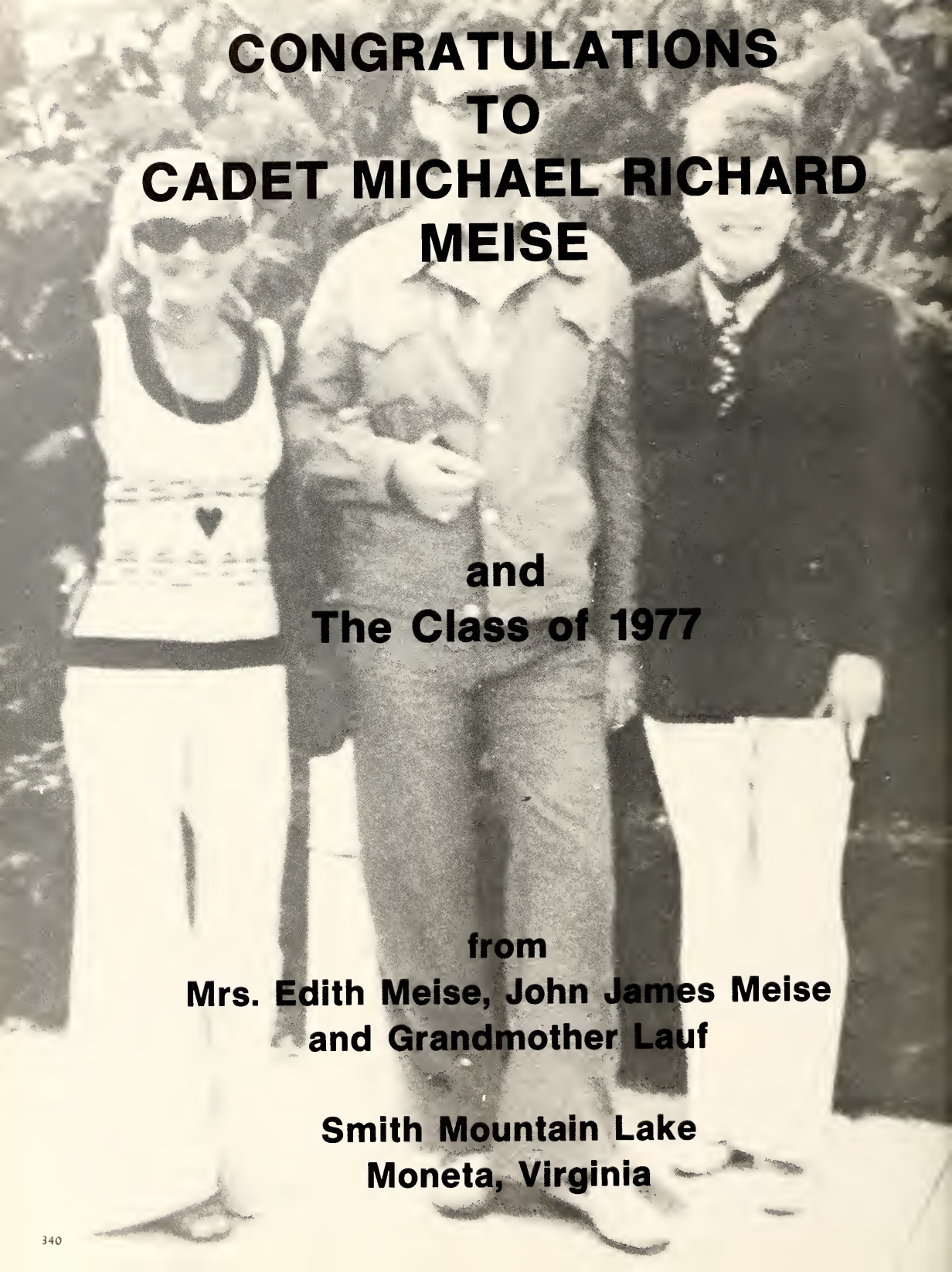
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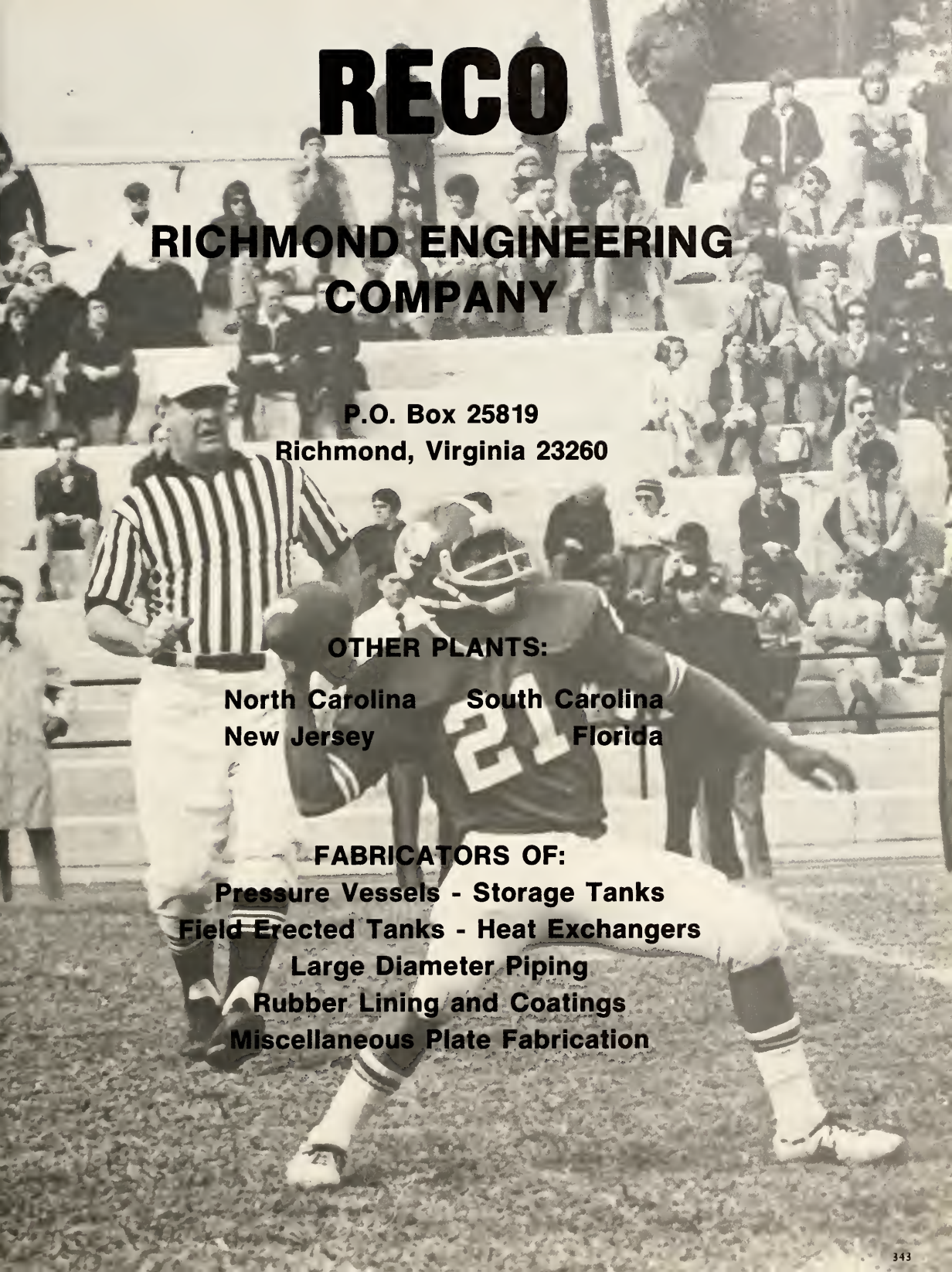
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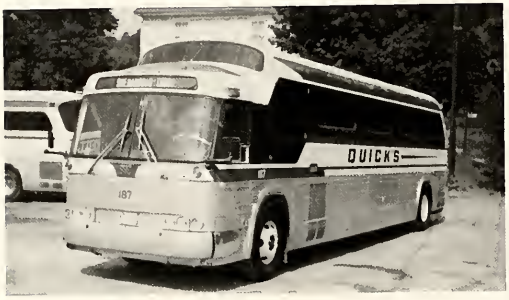
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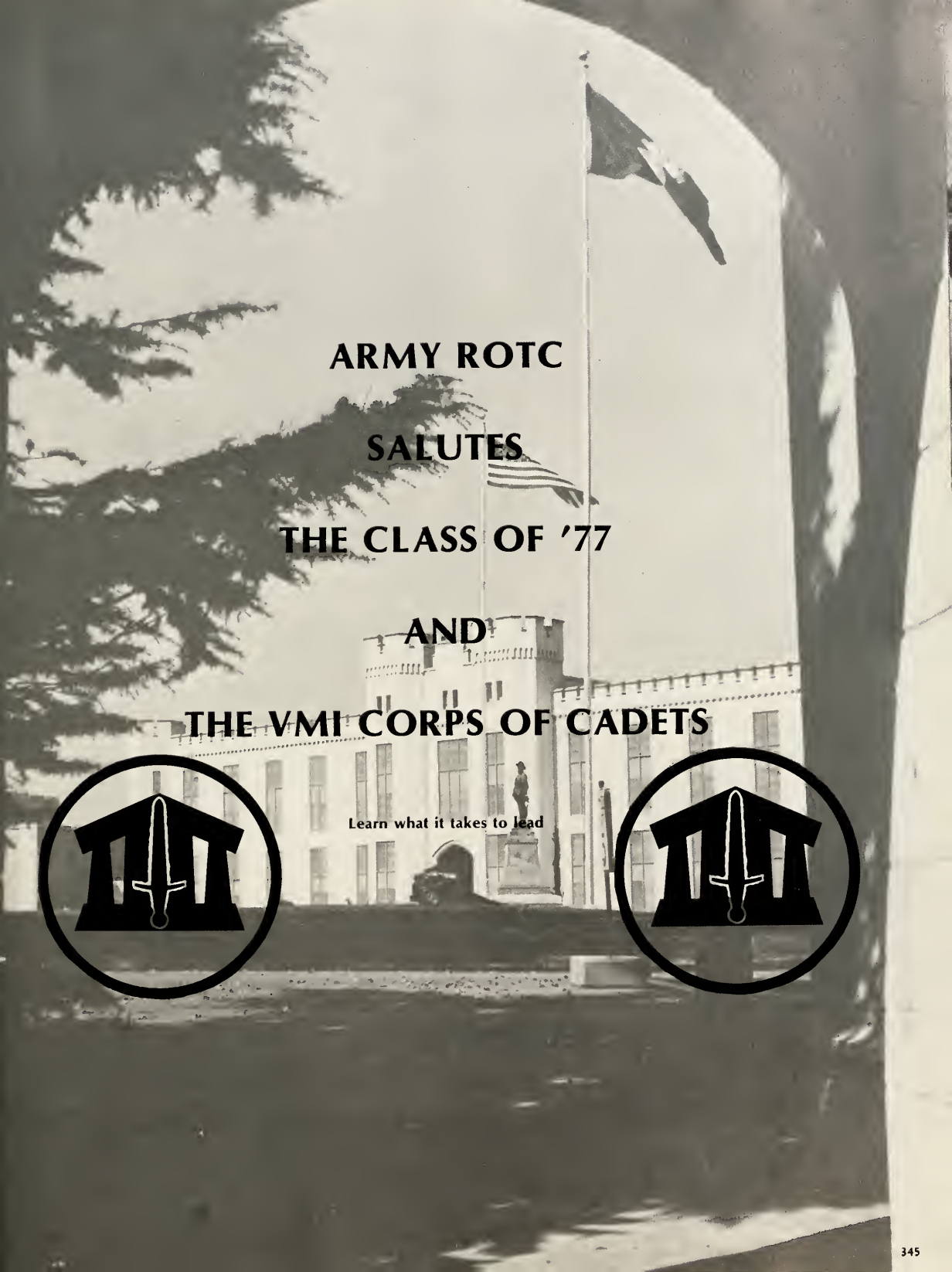
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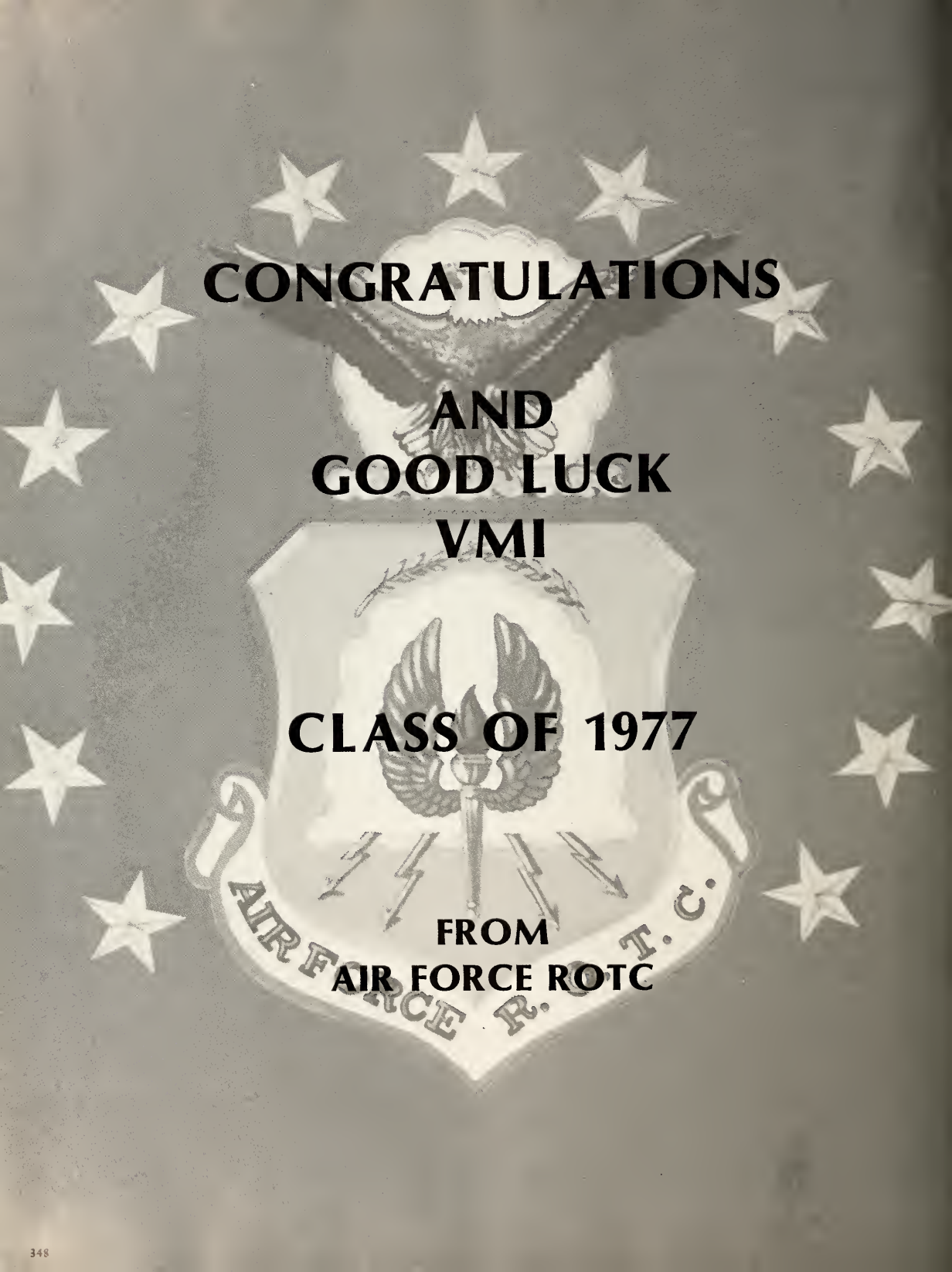
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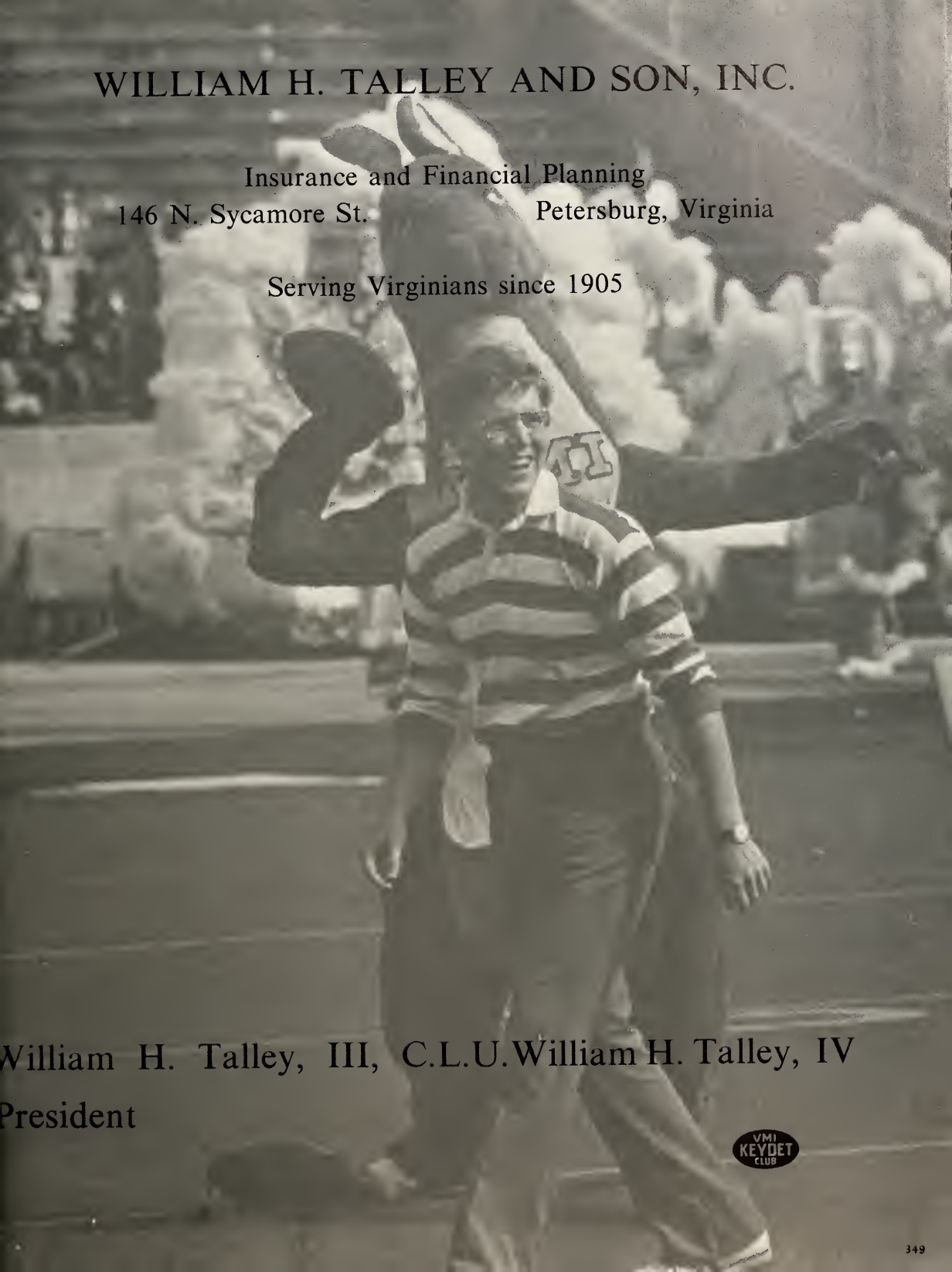
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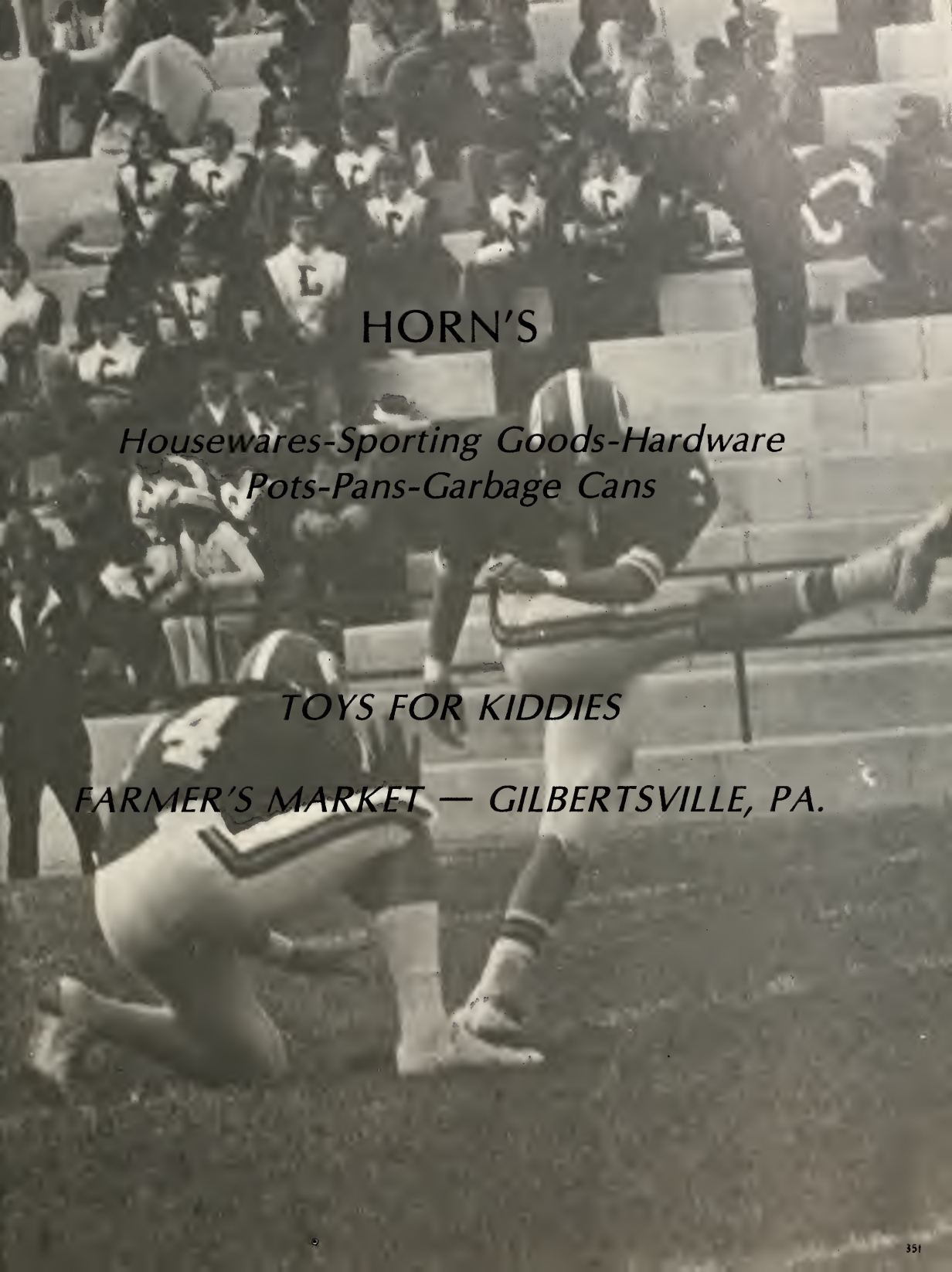
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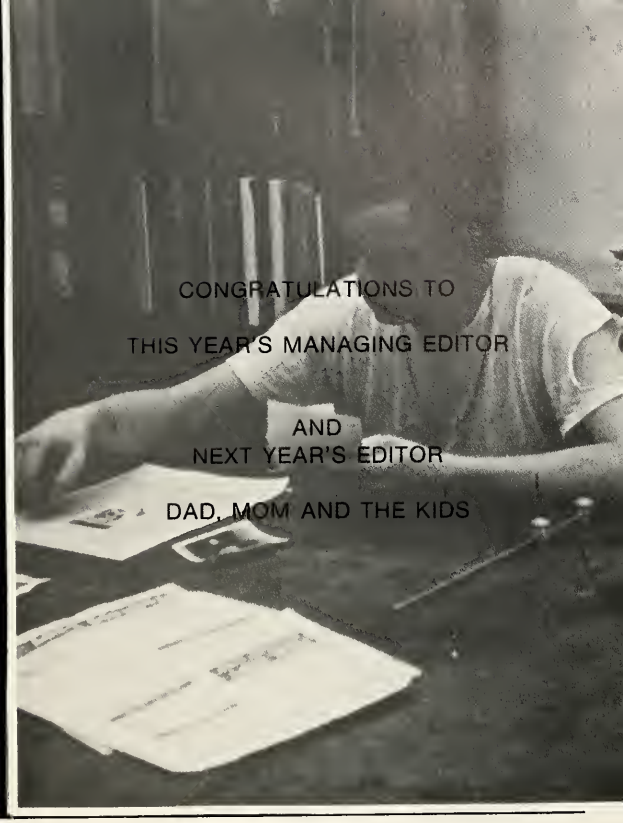
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